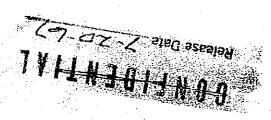
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#### INSTRUCTIONS:

Attach drillers log or other acceptable log of well.

This Well Completion or Recompletion report and well log shall be filed with the State of Arizona Oil & Gas Conservation Commission not later than thirty days after project completion.

WELL SITE CHECK

Contractor	Person(s) Contacted
Spud dateRotary	
Type RigCable	Present Operations
Pipe	Drilling with Mud
Water Zones	Size Hole
Lost Circ. Zones	Size Drill Pipe
Formation Tops	Type Bit
Cores, Logs, DST	No. Bit Drilling Rate
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REMARKS, PHOTO, MAP	Harless Fed # 36-C NE/4 NE/4 Sec 3- TITN-R4E Permit # 285

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Location Clean
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Permit No. <u>205</u> Confidential: Yes 10 Lon Butte To Harless # 1 Well

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## Hartwell Canyon is priceless to nature buff

artwell Canyon, one of the newest preserves acquired by The Nature Conservancy in Arizona, intrigued me. I had never heard of it, and I've been around awhile.

I asked Bob Erb, new Central Arizona representative for TNC, about visiting Hartwell. We planned an exploratory hike to the remote canyon west of Oak Creek in the Red Rock country.

The Nature Conservancy recently received Hartwell as a gift from Bob and Mary Kittredge of Sedona with the provision that the Kittredges may continue to live in their home at the mouth of the canyon as long as they live.

Hartwell is a gem for several reasons, most importantly as a wildlife area because it harbors a substantial nesting population of peregrine falcons in the white cliffs that rim the upper canyon walls. It has some unusual Indian ruins and beautiful rock carvings.

Fifty acres were homesteaded in the early 1900s by Charles Rysinger, blocking off the mouth of the canyon. It received its name because a man named Hart dug an 80-foot well for Rysinger's \$00 head of



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Ben Avery

cattle. The water had so much petroleum in it cattle wouldn't drink it.

Rysinger sold the 50 acres to Sam and Minnie Hunter of Missouri during the Depression for something like \$400. Hunter raised hogs in Missouri and hoped to do the same in Arizona. When he got to the little rock cabin at the mouth of Hopewell Canyon, he found nothing to feed hogs and no chance of a slop route.

Kittredge knocked on his door one night. Kittredge was trying to recruit members for the old Verde Valley Electric Co-op for \$5 so power could be brought to the rural residents of Verde-Sedona.

Hunter's response was that he wouldn't

"put another nickle into this worthless place, let alone \$5," and if he could just get his money out of it he would go back to Missouri to raise hogs. Kittredge paid \$600 for the 50-acre homestead. That was 50 years ago.

The Kittredges loved the canyon and set about building a place to live.

Everything was about finished when Kittredge realized he was 77 years old, and when the U.S. Forest Service tried to acquire the 50 acres so Hartwell Canyon could be turned over to ORVs, he started worrying about what would happen to the canyon after he and has wife were gone. That's when someone told him about how The Nature Conservancy acquires and preserves areas vital to wildlife.

The Canyon is a haven for mountain lion, bear, deer, small game and birds. It also has a wide variety of plants. We even found a Douglas fir among the pinon, juniper, oak and ponderosa pine. Water is scarce, but there is a spring-fed pool near the mouth of the 4-mile-long canyon.

A firm's conservative appraisal valued the 50-acre worthless homestead at \$750,000. For a nature buff, it is priceless.

file 285

Memo: File From: J. Scurlock

11-6-68

Yavapai Alsbury #18 Permit #257

Harless Federal #1 Permit #169

Harless Federal #27 Permit #267

Harless Federal #36-C Permit #285

Harless Federal #27-B Permit #278

Talked with Mrs. Thames, Harless's secretary, ( a good country girl from Arkansas). She has been in Dick's office for two months. Says she will get completion forms, plugging reports, and so forth out as fast as she can.

Gordon Fleetwood came by today and said that he would proceed to Harless's office this afternoon to expedite the above mentioned reports. Gordon apparently clearing the way so that his group can drill another well in this (Sedona) area.

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P. T. McGRATH
DISTRICT ENGINEER

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\*See Instructions on Reverse Side

WELL SITE CHECK

Rotary :

Cable Tool

Person(s) Contacted

Present Operations

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Drilling with Mud

Size Hole

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REMARKS, FLOTO, MAP

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Visited location 9-25-67. Took pictures.

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Harless 36c Fed

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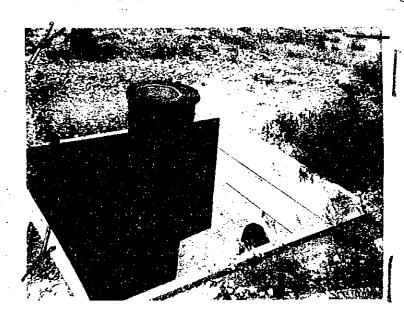
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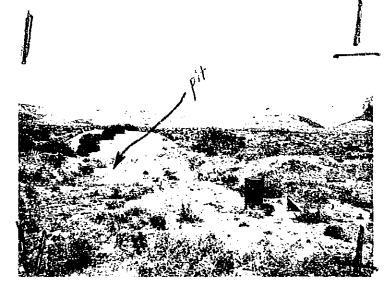
permit # 285

Name HARLESS # 36 C Federal

Location: Center of NE/4 of NE/4 Section 3-TITN-R4E

(footage location: 660' FNL; 660' FEL)





(pictures made 9-15-66)

picture shows capped well in open cellar.

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uncased hole

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(1) Fill in pit and cellar - (danger to Livestack.)

- (2) Location Leveled and cleaned up.
- (3) Well should be plugged (against possibility of Water contamination)

(4) Permanent identifica-

(4) Permanent identification marker pipe.

Total depth 200' approx

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September 26, 1966

Telcon Mr. Bannister from Okla. City

Memo to: File 96 169 278 257 285

I personally inspected each of the five well sites involved in our orders to Mr. Harless and found that no attempt had been made to comply with the orders of this Commission.

The only rig on site was the Walker-Neer rig on the #247B Federal. The excessive rust noted on the equipment and on the wire line indicated that this rig had been sitting idle for quite some period of time.

In my opinion there has definitely been no work on any of the wells within the period required by our Rule 202.B.

mr

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September 21, 1966

Memo to: File 96 169 278 257 285

This office received information that it was the intention of Mr. Harless to appear at our regular monthly meeting today to request a hearing as to the plugging orders.

Mr. Harless did not appear, nor are we able to determine that any steps have been taken by him to comply with our orders.

John Bannister Executive Secretary mr

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September 19, 1966

Memo to: File 96 169 278 257

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From: John Bannister, Executive Secretary

At approximately 10:30 a.m. this date, Mr. Richard F. Harless called in person at this office.

He requested additional time, advising that he desired to raise money to do further work on, or to twin, the Harless #1 (aka Harless #9) well. A part of this request was a stay concerning our plugging orders.

He was advised that no extension could be granted and that full compliance with the plugging orders must be accomplished by midnight, Friday, September 23, or that it then would be necessary to go to the bonding companies.

Mr. Harless was informed that this office could expect to receive copies of all logs run, as well as samples, to bring these wells into full compliance with all applicable statutes, Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Harless discussed at length his situation with Mr. Silas M. Newton and advised that he had severed relations with him approximately one year ago. However, due to certain contracts, Mr. Newton was still very much involved and that it was hoped that through the instrumentality of Mr. Ed Garrison, the lessee of record, that the lease containing the Harless #1 (aka Harless #9), the Harless #27 and #27B, that Mr. Newton might be removed from participation in this venture.

This office made it exceedingly clear to Mr. Harless that under no circumstance would the plugging orders be revoked; and it was further explained that correct administrative procedures were bing used as to these orders and that a hearing to enforce was not called for under our Rules and Regulations or statutes.

Mr. Harless advised that he would move immediately to bring himself into compliance with our plugging orders.

May 18, 1946

Memo to Files: Cottonwood Dil #1 State

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Harless #1 Yederal HV MW 4-17H-4K, Yavapal County Parmit 169

Yavapai Oil #18 Alabury UR SV 32-18X-6E, Yavapai County Pormit 217

Harless #27 Federal No Su 4-17K-4K - Yavapai County Fermit 267

Harless 017% Federal Bu Hr 6-17%-48, Yavapai County Permit 274

Harloss #36G Faderal RE HE 3-17N-6E, Yawapai County Parmit 283

On-site cheek reveals this area has no work in progress at this time.

The rig is still learted on the \$275 but has not been in use for some time. I was unable to locate either Mr. Silas Seuton or Mr. Ozzic Young to determine what plans are in effect conserming this area.

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( NDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELL Richard F. Harless 1. Name of Operator\_ GAS WELL X OTHER | 2. OIL WELL X (Specify)\_\_\_\_ Harless #36C Federal 3. Well Name\_ NE/4NE/4 4E County Yavapai Arizona. 4. Federal. State or Indian Lease Number, or lessor's name if fee lease Federal Lease Wildcat 5. Field or Pool Name\_ 6. Check Appropriate Box to Indicate Nature of Notice, Report, or Other Data NOTICE OF INTENTION TO: SUBSEQUENT REPORT OF: MONTHLY PROGRESS WATER SHUT-OFF PULL OR ALTER CASING TEST WATER SHUT-OFF REPAIRING WELL FRACTURE TREATMENT DIRECTIONAL DRILL FRACTURE TREAT ALTERING CASING SHOOTING OR ACIDIZING PERFORATE CASING SHOOT OR ACIDIZE ABANDONMENT CHANGE PLANS REPAIR WELL (OTHER) Progress to date (OTHER). (NOTE: Report results of multiple completion on Well Completion or Recompletion Report and Log form.) 7. DESCRIBE PROPOSED OR COMPLETED OPERATIONS (Clearly state all pertinent details, and give pertinent dates, including estimated date of starting any proposed work. If well is directionally drilled, give subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths for all markers and zones pertinent to this work.) This well was spudded in and drilled to a depth of about 200 feet. Ten inch casing was set and cemented at about 100 feet. There has been no other activity on this well. We anticipate completing this well after the completion of Harless #27B. 8. I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Operator \_Title\_ Signed\_ STATE OF ARIZONA
OIL & GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION Sundry Notices and Reports On Wells File Two Copies Form No. 25 285 Permit No.

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April 13, 1965

Memo: To Files

From: J.R. Scurlock, Geologist

Re: Telcon with Richard F. Harless

Mr. Harless indicated he is waiting for weather to enter the Permit 278 old well, i.e. \$278 well, in the Sedona area. They plan to re-acidize.

Mr. Harless just purchased Section 3 on which he had started the 49 well. The title is deposited in escrow with Phoenix Title and Trust Company. They plan to start drilling again on this well, i.e. the 49 well, and carry it on down.

And they hope at the same time to start a deep well immediately to the north of this in Section 35 with a rotary rig, financed by a friend of Mr. Newton's from Illinois-Indiana area.

Mr. Harless hopes that he will be permitted to re-enter the old #9 well under his old permit and under his old bond.

Hr. Harless indicated that he is under contract to start a well in S20-T16N before July 1st.

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RICHARD F. HARLESS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
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Mr. P. I. McGrath
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Burn marless Federal No. 36A

Dear Mr. McGrath:

In is letter is in confirmation of the telephone conversation between Mr. S. M. Newton and your assistant, today.

Belance of the inaccessibility of the location for Well
No. 36A, on Sec. 3, TITN, R4E, GaSR36M, YavapailCounty,

Arizona it is desirable to substitute for this location
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No. permit woith was hereitfore issued under the title of
Well No. 36A charged to No. 36C, as shown on the location
tap site heretoine filed with you, and the bond and all
other matters pertaining to this location substituted
accordingly.

In order to clarify the records for this substitution, I am filing herewith a substitute application for a permit to drill a well.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD F. HARLESS Attorney at Law

RFH:jt Enc.

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OPY TO ROFWEL LUBMIT IN TRIL (ATE. Form 9-331 C (May 1963) Form approved. Budget Bureau No. 42-R1425. (Other instruction, on reverse side) UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR 5. LEASE DESIGNATION AND BERIAL NO. AR-023674 **GEOLOGICAL SURVEY** 6. IF INDIAN, ALLOTTED OR TRIBE NAME APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL, DEEPEN, OR PLUG BACK Ia. TYPE OF WORK 7. UNIT AGREEMENT NAME DEEPEN 🔲 PLUG BACK 🗌 DRILL X b. TYPE OF WELL MULTIPLE ZONE 8. FARM OR LEASE NAME WELL XX 2. NAME OF OPERATOR Richard F. Harless 3. ADDRESS OF OPERATOR 36C 1218 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, Arizona 10. FIELD AND POOL, OR WILDCAT 4. LOCATION OF WELL (Report location clearly and in accordance with any State requirements.\*) Wildcat 660 S of N Line, 660 W of E line, Sec. 3, T17N, R4E, 11. SEC., T., E., M., OR BLE.

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(Also to nearest drig, line, if any) 17. NO. OF ACRES ASSIGNED TO THIS WELL. 16. NO. OF ACRES IN LEASE 660' 1,274.48 18. DISTANCE FROM PROPOSED TO ATION TO NEAREST WELL, DRILLING COMPLETED, OR APPLIED FOR, ON THIS LEASE, IT. NONE 19. PROPOSED DEPTH 20. ROTARY OR CABLE TOOLS 6,000 Combination 21. ELEVATIONS (Show whether : T. GR. etc.) 22. APPROX. DATE WORK WILL START\* Derrick Floor 4,443 As soon as possible <del>upon approval</del> PROPOSED CASING AND CEMENTING PROGRAM SIZE OF HOLE IN LOF CASING WEIGHT PER FOOT SETTING DEPTH QUANTITY OF CEMENT 13-3/8" 300! 20' of 16" conductor pipe will be cemented, then 300' of 13-3/8" surface casing will be cemented from top to bottom; a 10" well will be drilled to 1,600' by cable tool, at which time we will change to rotary and drill to 6,000 unless granite or other impenetrable substance is encountered. All geological formations will be cored. Logs will be taken and a 7" producing string will be run and cemented. Thereafter there will be perforation for tests. OCT G 1964 ), S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO IS ABOVE SPACE DESCRIBE PRO 120 1200BAM : If proposal is to deepen or plug back, give data on present productive zone and proposed new productive zone. If proposal is to drill or deepen directionally, give pertinent data on subsurface locations and measured and true vertical depths. Give blowout DATE Sept. 30, 1964 Operator (This space for Federal or State office use) OPERATIONS BY: AFPROVAL DATE REAL TOTAL LESSEE D. OF O. ATTURED OCT 2 1964 E 22'600 VITEGA & RICHARD B. KRAHL 177 HD 00001 \*See Instructions On Reverse Side ACTING DISTRICT ENGINEER LESSEE'S HAHOR - WH C

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Notice: Before sending in this form be sure that you have given all information requested. Much unnecessary correspondence will thus be avoided.

See Instruction on Reverse Side of Form

Application to Drill, Deepen or Plug Back

Effective Feb. 28, 1962.

File two copies

Form No. P-1

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INSTRUCTIONS

READ CAREFULLY AND COMPLY FULLY

For the purpose of this determination attach hereto a neat, accurate plat, map or sketch of this lease, section, block or lot locating thereon the proposed site for this location. Plat shall be drawn to a scale which will permit the facile observation of all pertinent data. Show distances of the proposed well from the two nearest lease and section lines, and from the nearest wells on the same lease completed in or drilling to the same reservoir. If the location requested is not in conformance with the applicable well-spacing rules, show all off-setting wells to the proposed well, and the names and addresses of all adjoining lease or property owners.

In event plat is filed for the purpose of designating the drilling and producing unit, or proration unit, on which the proposed well is to be drilled, the boundaries of such unit shall be shown, also the boundaries of all other such units attributed to other wells on the same lease completed in or drilling to the same reservoir. The acreage contained within each unit shall also be shown.

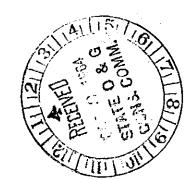
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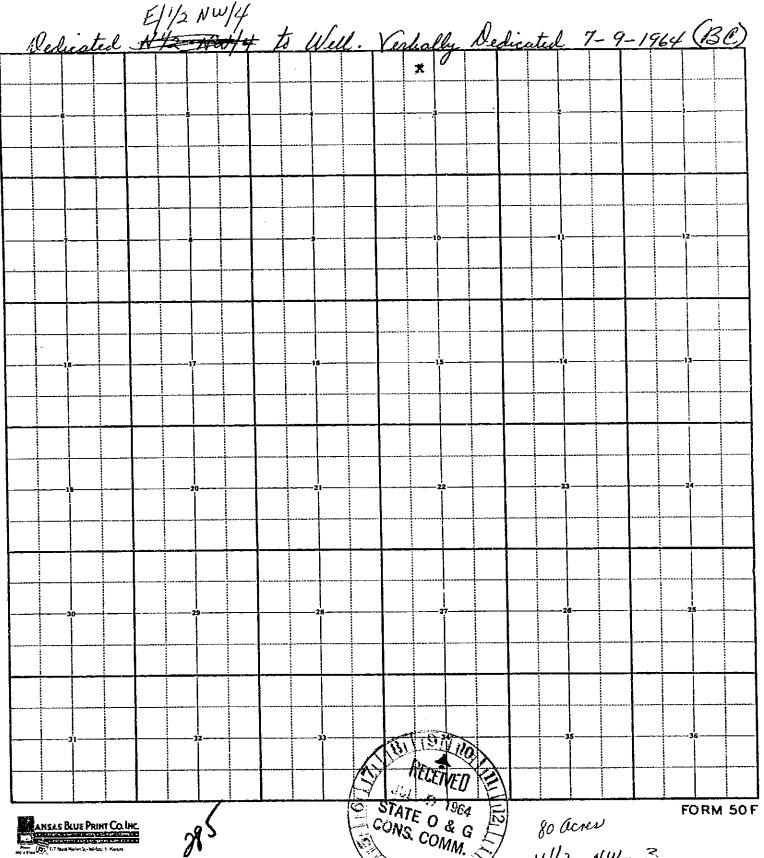
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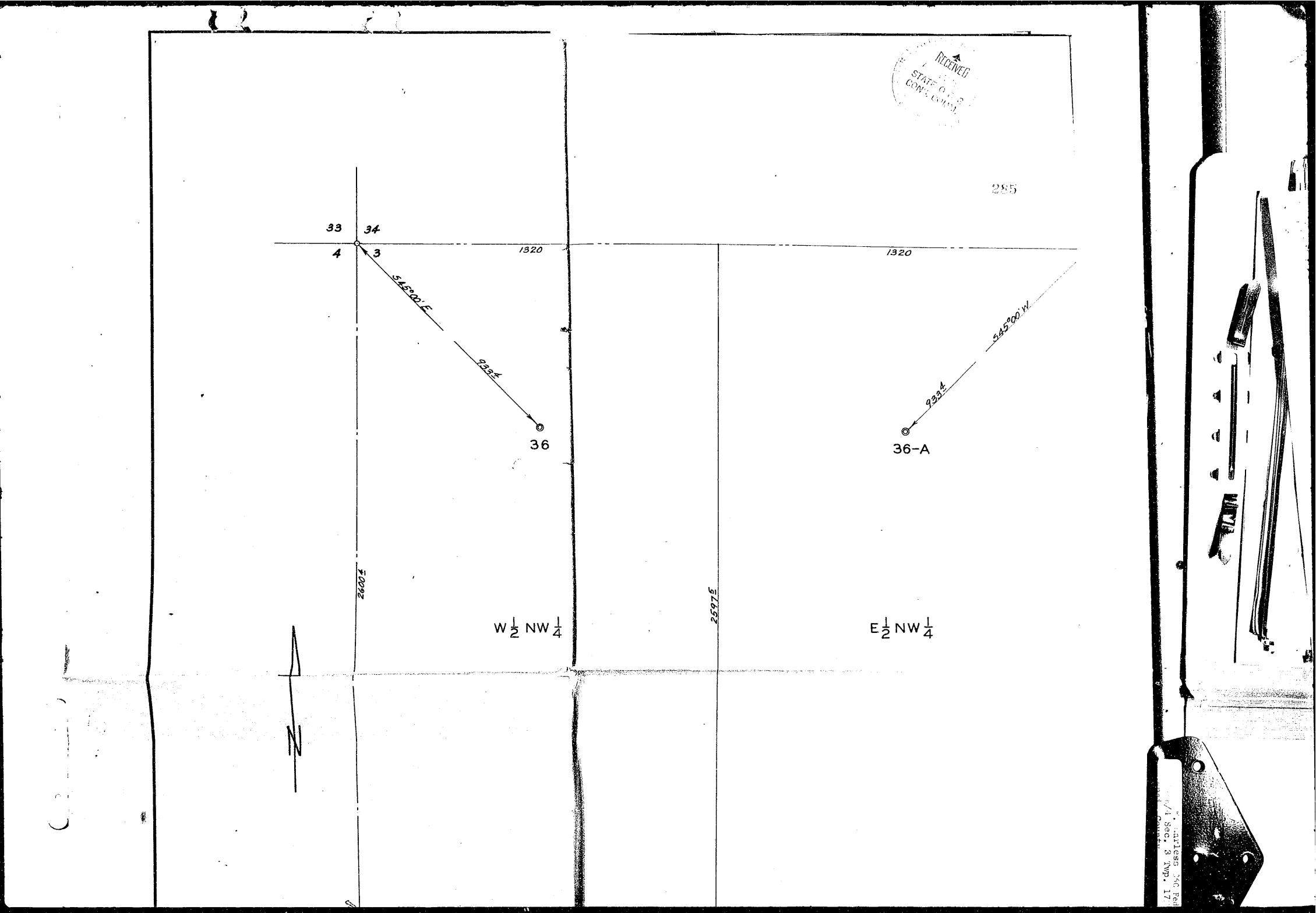
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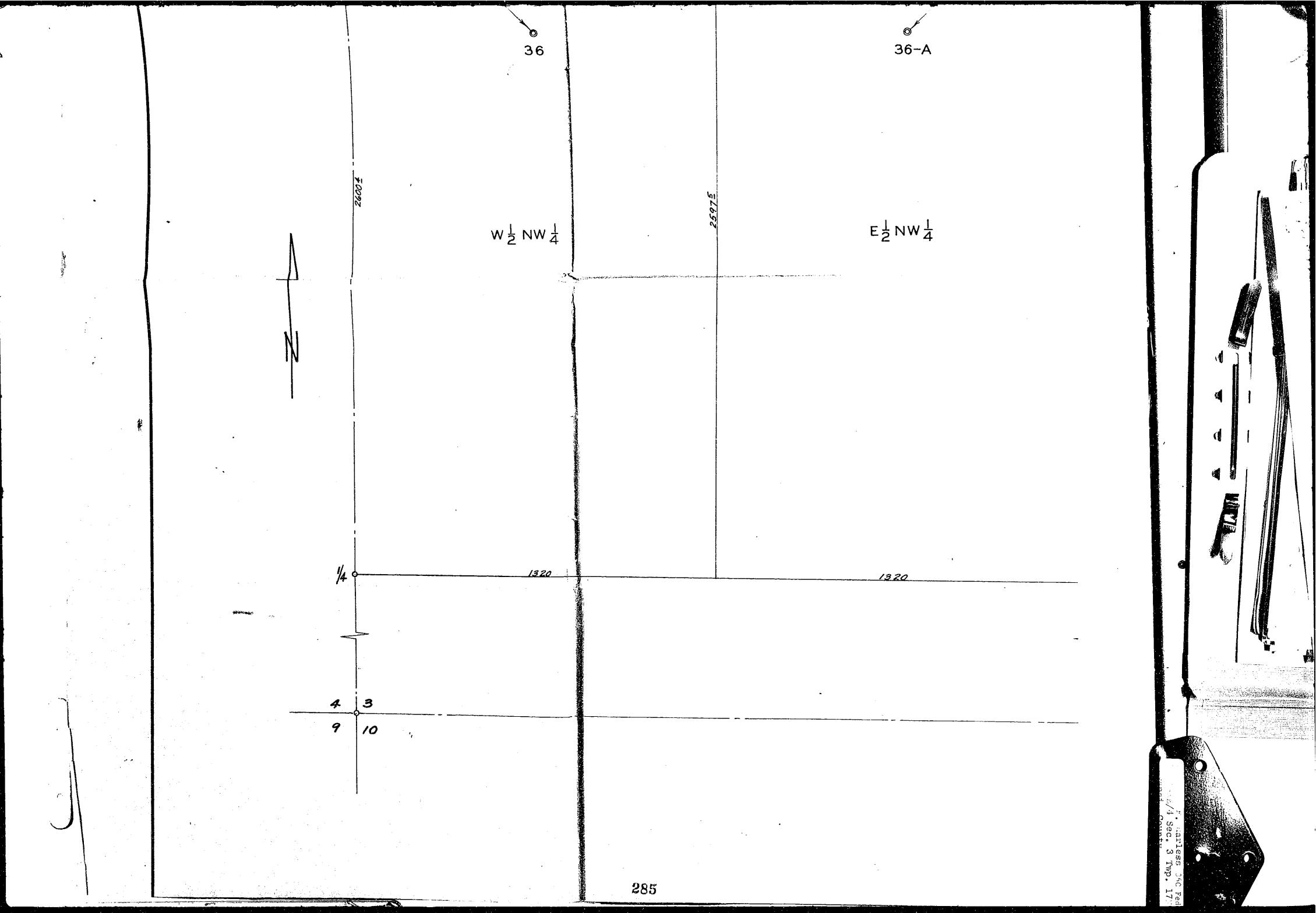
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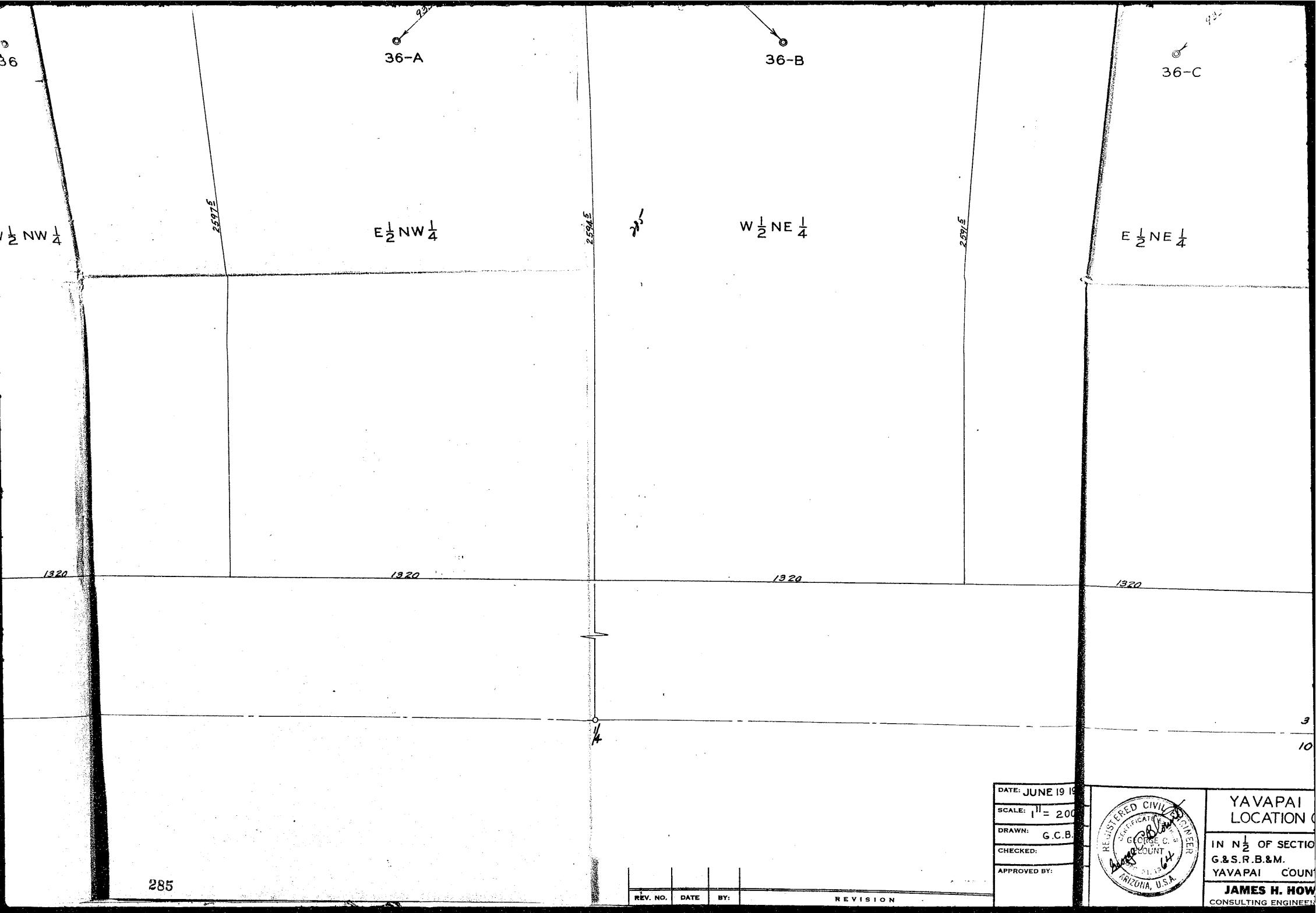
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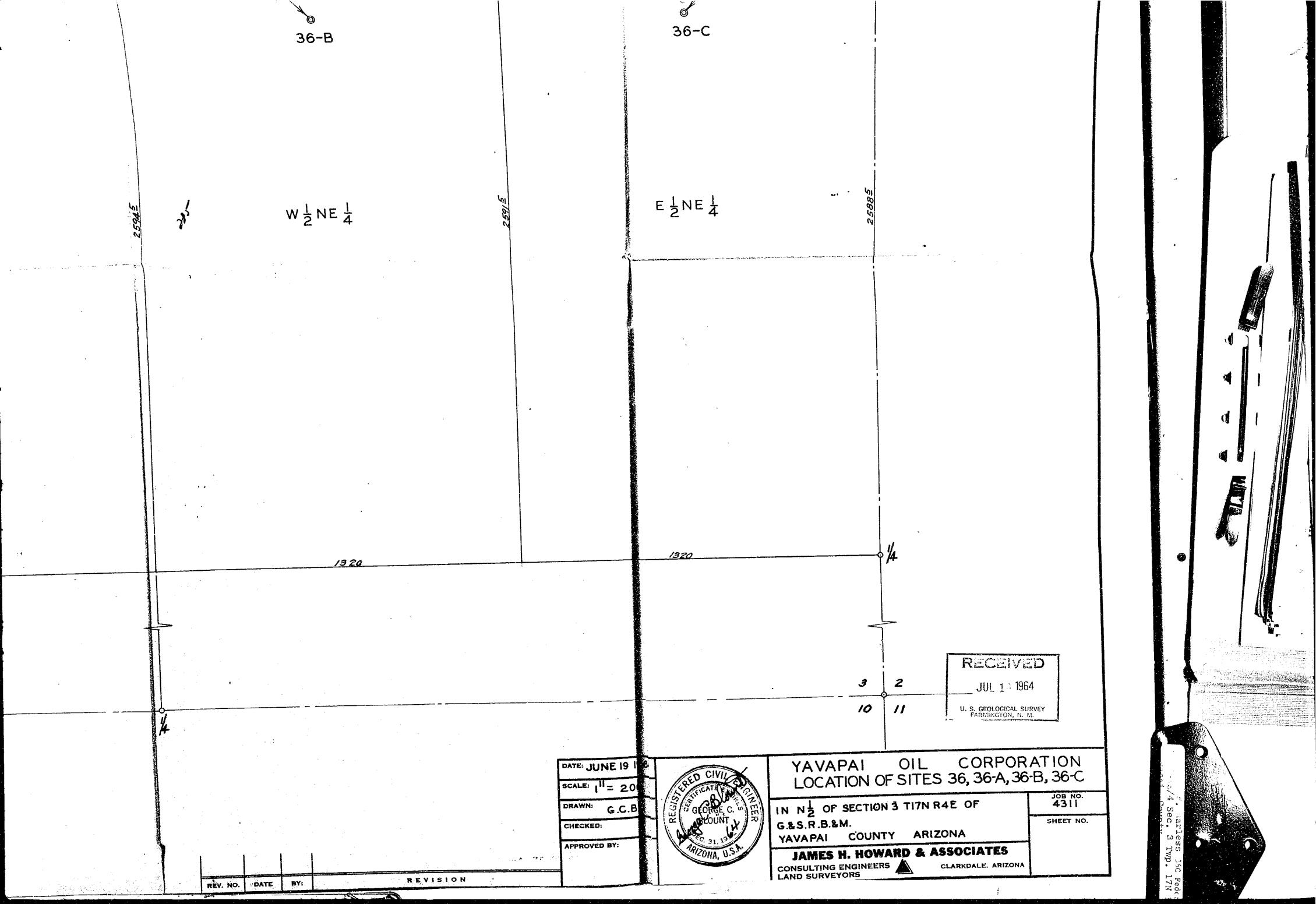
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BOND SERIAL NO. 221 Richard F. Harless in the of the State of: County of as principal WITHIN the State of Arizona. as surety, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Arizona in the penal sum as indicated, lawful money of the United States, for which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each of us, and each of our heirs, executors, administrators or successors, and assigns jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. The conditions of this obligation is that whereas the above bounden principal proposes to drill a well or wells for oil, gas or stratigraphic purposes in and upon the following described land situated within the State, to wit: Section 3, T17M, BAE, GASREMIN, Yavapai County, Arisona (May be used as blanket bond or for single well) NOW, THEREFORE, if the above bounden principal shall comply with all of the provisions of the laws of this State and the rules, regulations and orders of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, especially with reference to the requirements of A.R.S. 27-516, providing for the proper drilling, casing and plugging of said well or wells, and filing with the Oil & Gas Conservation Commission all notices and records required by said Commission, in the event said well or wells do not produce oil or gas in commercial quantities, or cease to produce of or gas in commercial quantities, then this obligation is void; otherwise, the same shall be and remain in full force and effect. Penal sum of Inc June, 1964 Witness our hands and seals, this Witness our hands and seals, this UNITED STATES FIDELITY MX: Durand R. Eston, Attorney in Fact (If the principal is a corporation, the bond should be executed by its duly authorized officers, with

the seal of the corporation affixed. When principal or surety executes this bond by agent, power

of attorney or other evidence of authority must accompany the bond,)

**Approved** 

Date

STATE OF ARIZONA

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY BALTIMORE, MARYLAND BOND AMOUNT \$ FILE THIS CERTIFICATE CONTINUATION CERTIFICATE WITH YOUR BOND In consideration of an agreed premium, United States Pidelity And Guaranty Company hereby continues in force, Re-the period described, the Bond designated below, subject to all the agreements, limitations and conditions thereof and provided that the Mahilly under said Bond and all continuations thereof shall not be cumulative. UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY Signed, sealed and dated\_ TOPRET-IE-VACT PRINCIPAL AND ADDRESS BOND NUMBER AGENT HAME AND ADDRESS FROM PREMIUM PERIOD 6-45-65 F. S. 13 (9-64)

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### GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

No. 74988

Know all Men by these Presents:

That UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland, and having its principal office at the City of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, does hereby constitute and Kenneth Clarke, Durand R. Eaton and Millard Stillman appoint

, State of Arizona of the City of Phoenix its true and lawful attorneys in and for the State of Arizona

for the following purposes, to wit:

To sign its name as surety to, and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, and to respectively do and perform any and all acts and things set forth in the resolution of the Board of Directors of the said UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY, a certified copy of which is hereto annexed and made a part of this Power of Attorney; and the said UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY, through us, its Board of Directors, hereby ratifies and confirms all and whatsoever the said anyone of the said Kenneth Clarke and the said Durand R. Eaton and the said

Millard Stillman

may lawfully do in the premises by virtue of these presents. In Witness Whereof, the said UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY has caused this instrument to be scaled with its corporate scal, duly attested by the signatures of its Vice-President and Assistant Secretary, this

A. D. 1962 September UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY.

Vice-President.

(SEAL)

STATE OF MARYLAND

BALTIMORE CITY, the UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY September 149 day of On this . Vice-President & A. C. Holmes , Assistant Secretary of said Company, with both of E. W. Buffington whom I am personally acquainted, who being by me severally duly sworn, said that they resided in the City of Baltimore, Maryland; that they, the said

A. C. Holmes

and E. W. Buffington were respectively COMPANY and

the Vice-President and the Assistant Secretary of the said UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY, the con poration described in and which executed the foregoing Power of Attorney; that they each know the seal of said corporation; that the scal affixed to said Power of Attorney was such corporate seal, that it was so affixed by order of the Board of Directors of said corporation, and that they signed their names thereto by like order as Vice-President and Assistant Secretary, respectively, of the Company,

My commission expires the first Monday in May, A. D. 19 63

(Signed)

Anne M. O'Brien

Notary Public.

STATE OF MARYLAND.

BALTIMORE CITY. . Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, which Court is a James F. Carney , Esquire, before Anne M. O'Brien Court of Record, and has a seal, do hereby certify that whom the annexed affidavits were made, and who has thereto subscribed his name, was at the time of so doing a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, in and for the City of Baltimore, duly commissioned and sworn and authorized by law to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, or proof of deeds to be recorded therein. I further certify that I am acquainted with the handwriting of the said Notary, and verily believe the signature to be his genuine signature.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, the same being a Court , A. D. 1962 September day of 149 of Record, this

(SEAL)

(Signed)

James F. Carney Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City.

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#### COPY OF RESOLUTION

That Whereas, it is necessary for the effectual transaction of business that this Company appoint agents and attorneys with power and authority to act for it and in its name in States other than Maryland, and in the Territories of the United States and in the Provinces of the Dominion of Canada and in the Colony of Newfoundland.

Therefore, be it Resolved, that this Company do, and it hereby does, authorize and empower its President or either of its Vice-Presidents in conjunction with its Secretary or one of its Assistant Secretaries, under its corporate scal, to appoint any person or persons as attorney or attorneys-in-fact, or agent or agents of said Company, in its name and as its act, to execute and deliver any and all contracts guaranteeing the fidelity of persons holding positions of public or private trust, guaranteeing the performances of contracts other than insurance policies and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings, required or permitted in all actions or proceedings, or by law allowed, and

Also, in its name and as its attorney or attorneys-in-fact, or agent or agents to execute and guarantee the conditions of any and all bonds, recognizances, obligations, stipulations, undertakings or anything in the nature of either of the same, which are or may by law, municipal or otherwise, or by any Statute of the United States or of any State or Territory of the United States or of the Provinces of the Dominion of Canada or of the Colony of Newfoundland, or by the rules, regulations, orders, customs, practice or discretion of any board, body, organization, office or officer, local, municipal or otherwise, be allowed, required or permitted to be executed, made, taken, given, tendered, accepted, filed or recorded for the security or protection of, by or for any person or persons, corporation, body, office, interest, municipality or other association or organization whatsoever, in any and all capacities whatsoever, conditioned for the doing or not doing of anything or any conditions which may be provided for in any such bond, recognizance, obligation, stipulation, or undertaking, or anything in the nature of either of the same.

I. G. Sachse
. an Assistant Secretary of the UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the original power of attorney given by said Company to Kenneth Clarke, Durand R. Eaton and Millard Stillman

of Phoenix, Arizona , authorizing and empowering them to sign bonds as therein are forth, which power of attorney has never been revoked and is still in full force and effect.

And I do further certify that said Power of Attorney was given in pursuance of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of said Company, duly called and held at the office of the Company in the City of Baltimore, on the 11th day of July, 1910, at which meeting a quorum of the Board of Directors was present, and that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of said resolution, and the whole thereof as recorded in the minutes of said meeting.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY on

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY Drawer 1857 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

November 19, 1968

Moore, Komley, Kaplan, Robbins & Green 1600 Arisons Title Building Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Attention: Mr. Curtis A. Jonnings

Gentlemen:

Your letter of Hovember 13 inquires as to thether the Harless well No. 36-C in the NEWEZ sec. 3, T. 17 N., R. 4 E., G.&S.R.M., Yavapai County, Arizona, lease No. 023674, has been plugged and absoluted to the satisfaction of the Geological Survey.

The Harless well No. 36-C, lease Arizona 023674, is satisfactorily plugged and abandoned, the abandonment of which was approved by our Farmington District Engineer on October 22, 1968. This office has no objection to termination of the period of liability under the lesses's \$10,000 bond and will so notify the Euresu of Land Landgement, Phoenix, Arizona.

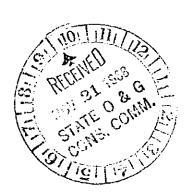
Sincerely yours,

(ORIG. SGD.) CARL C. TRAYWICK

CARL C. TRAYFICK Acting Oil and Gas Supervisor

cc: Farmington BLM, Phoenix, Arizona

Mr. John Bannister Arizona Oil and Gas Cons. Comma. 1624 West Adams
Phoenix, Arizona 85007



November 19, 1968

Mr. Richard F. Harless Suite 1000, Financial Center Central Avenue at Omborn Road Phoenix, Arimona 85012

Re: Harless #36-C Federal NE NE 3-T17N-R4E Yavapai County, Arisona Permit #285

> U. S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company Bond #22757-13-963-64

Dear Mr. Harless:

The work performed by Mr. Ersel Garrison in plugging this well has met the requirements of this Commission. The captioned bond may now be cancelled.

Sincerely,

John Bannister Executive Secretary

JB:jf

cc: U. S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company 3605 North 7th Avenue Phoesix, Arizona

> Mr. Ersel Garrison Cottonwood, Arizona 86326

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TELEPHONE 204 (83)

### RICHARD F. HARLESS

ATTORNEY AT LAW
SUITE 1000. FINANCIAL CENTER
CENTRAL AVENUE AT 05BORN ROAD
PHOENIX. ARIZONA 85012
November 6, 1968

Mr. John Bannister, Secretary Oil and Gas Conservation Commission State of Arizona Room 202, 1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Yavapai Alsbury #18
Harless Fed. #1
Harless Fed. #27
Harless Fed. #36-C
Harless Fed. #27-B

Dear Mr. Bannister:

Enclosed herewith are completion reports on the above named oil and gas wells. I have made diligent search for the driller's logs on all these wells and have been informed that Mr. Newton left the logs in a house at Sedona, which was later repossessed and the furnishings were stored. We have not been able to locate any of the driller's logs and they are presumed to be lost. Mr. Newton's health has detoriated considerably and that his memory is impaired and, in fact, he does not know where logs are now located.

I am enclosing herewith the log made by Schlumberger on 27-B. This is the only logging information I have in my possession. I have made diligent search for all other logging information and have not been able to locate it.

I trust you will close these files and give me a complete release for all the leases above named.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD F. HARLESS

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OFFICE OF

### Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

STATE OF ARIZONA

1624 WEST ADAMS Physician, Arteonia USBUT

PHONE: 271-5161

October 24, 1968

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Mr. Ersel Garrison Box 97 Cottonwood, Arizona 86326

Dear Mr. Garrison:

The following information should appear on the marker pipes of the wells which you have plugged:

Yavapai Alsbury #18 NE/4-SW/4 Sec. 32-T18N-R4E Permit #257

Harless Fed. #1
SW/4-NW/4 Sec. 4-T17N-R4E
Permit #169

Harless Fed. #27 NW/4-NW/4 Sec. 4-T17N-R4E Permit #267

Harless Fed. #36-C NE/4-NE/4 Sec. 3-T17N-R4E Permit #285

Harless Fed. #27-B NW/4-NW/4 Sec. 4-T17N-R4E Permit #278

We were well satisfied with your plugging operations on these wells and with the way that the locations were cleaned up.

Yours truly,

jf James Scurlock, Geologist

cc: United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company (Mr. Curtis Jennings)
Hartford Accident & Indemnity Company (Mr. William Haug)

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OFFICE OF

### Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

STATE OF ARIZONA

ROOM 202 1624 WEST ADAMS

### Phoenix, Arizona 85007

PHONE: 271-5161

October 24, 1968

Mr. William F. Haug Jennings, Strouss, Salmon, & Trask 111 West Monroe Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Harless Fed. #1

SW/4-NW/4 Sec. 4-T17N-R4EYavapai County, Arizona

Permit #169

Harless Fed. #27

NW/4-NW/4 Sec. 4-T17N-R4E

Yavapai County, Arizona

Permit #267

Dear Mr. Haug:

Enclosed is a carbon copy of a letter to Mr. Ersel Garrison informing him as to the manner in which he should mark the Harless wells which he already has plugged. I will be making a final inspection of these wells in a few days; but meanwhile we need Completion Reports and copies of all electric logs, sample logs, and driller's logs available on each of the Harless wells.

These wells have now been plugged, and it is now but a matter of marking them properly and finishing the cleanup operation.

Yours truly,

James Scurlock Geologist

JS:jf Enc.

OFFICE OF

#### Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

STATE OF ARIZONA

1624 WEST ADAMS

Uharnix, Arizona USBU7 PHONE: 271-5161

October 24, 1968

Mr. Curtis Jennings Moore, Romley, Kaplan, Robbins, & Green Lawyers 1600 Arizona Title Building 111 West Monroe Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Yavapai Alsbury #18 NE/4-SW/4 Sec. 32-T18N-R4E Yavapai County, Arizona Permit #257 Harless Fed. #36-C NE/4-NE/4 Sec. 3-T17N-R4E Yavapai County, Arizona Permit #285

Harless Fed. #27-B NW/4-NW/4 Sec. 4-T17N-R4E Yavapai County, Arizona Permit #278

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> WALLACE L. DUNCAN STEPHEN A. WEST

October 4, 1968

Mr. James A. Lambert Administrative Assistant Oil and Gas Conservation Commission 1624 W. Adams Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Harless Wells - Federal #1, #36 C, #27 B and Yavapai Oil Company Permit #257

Dear Mr. Lambert:

Thank you for your letter of October 2, 1968 with reference to the above matter.

As you were advised by Mr. Curtis A. Jennings, the principals, Mr. Harless and Mr. Garrison, have moved equipment to the well sites and are ready to commence immediate plugging of the wells. We have been further advised by Mr. Harless that the Federal Government has been notified of this and that you, too, will be notified immediately so that you may have representatives at the well sites during the plugging procedure which we understand is to commence immediately.

Very truly yours,

JENNINGS, STROUSS, SALMON & TRASK

William F. Haug

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William F. Haug

cc: Curtis A. Jennings

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RICHARD F. HARLESS

ATTORNEY AT LAW

STATE LODGE FINANCIAL CENTER CENTRAL AVENUE AT OSHORN POAC PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85012

CLUCCUST ST. A., 1953

Mr. P. T. McGrath District Engineer P. O. Box 959 Farmington, New Mexico 87401

Dear Nr. McCreth:

Vactorise I talked with Mr. K. Norton, who is attorney for largel Carrison, principal on the federal bond for Section 6. Township 17 North, Range 4 Mast. Norton had sent me a copy of a letter he addressed to you on September 25. He informed me that they were moving the rigging in place and would plug all three wells on Jection 4, pursuant to the directive from the Arizona Oil and Gas Conservation Commission and from your department. I am asking him to also plug the well on Jection 3, Township 17 North, Range 4 East and the Alsbury No. 18 well, which is located in Section 32, Township 18 North, Range 4 East, C S R B & M.

In an much as these two shallow wells are only shout 200 to 250 feet deep and have not penetrated any vater rone, it is my understanding that it would be satisfactory if we would fill these wells up to 10 feet with ordinary mud or dirt and then put a 10 foot cap of cement on top, then with the usual marker setting in the coment. I trust that you will agree with this and permit us to use this method to seal these wells temporarily. Undoubtedly in the future some one will vant to re-open these two wells for drilling purposes.

I understand that you will contact Mr. Horton directly and arrange for a representative to be present during this plugging process.

Sincerely,

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RICHARD F. HARLESS

RFH/dw

cc: Mr. John Bannister
Arizona Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
1624 West Adams
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Mr. K. Norton, Attorney at law Cottonwood, Arizona 86326

September 26, 1968

Mr. K. Norton Cottonwood Arizona 86326

Ra: Harless #1 Federal T17H, R4E, G & 5RH Sec. 4: NW/4 NW/4 Yavapai County, Arizona Permit #169 Harless #27-B 117N, R4B, G & SRM Sec. 4: NW/4 NW/4 Yavapai County, Arizona Permit #272

Harless=#36-C T17H, R4E, G & SRH Sec. 3: HE/4 HE/4 Yavapai County, Arixona Permit #285

Dear Mr. Norton:

A copy of your latter of September 25, 1968, concerning the captioned wells has been received. Please be advised that this Commission should be notified at least 24 hours prior to commencement of plugging operations in order that a representative of this office may be present. You may notify this office by letter or by telephoning 271-5161.

Sincerely,

John Sannister Executive Secretary

JB:jf

ce: Phil McGrath

August 21, 1968

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Richard F. Harless 1000 Financial Center 3443 North Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85012

Dear Mr. Harless:

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On July 19, 1967, the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission entered its final order directing you, the operator of record, to plug the following oil wells:

Harless - Federal #1 NW/4, NW/4, Sec. 4, T17N, R4E

Harless - Federal #27B NW/4, EM/4, Sec. 4, T17N, R4B

Harless - Federal #36C NE/4, NE/4, Sec. 3, T17N, R4E

Yavapai 011 Co. - Alsbury #18 NE/4, SW/4, Sec. 32, T18N, R4E

This order was entered after a finding of fact that these wells were in violation of Commission Rule 202 B, which provides:

"When drilling operations have been suspended for 60 days, the well shall be plugged and abandoned unless written permission for temporary abandonment shall be obtained from the commission." Mr. Richard F. Barless August 21, 1968 Page Two

As you are aware, the order of July 19, 1967, was preceded by other hearings before the Commission which resulted in the granting to you of numerous extensions of time within which to begin drilling operations again or else make appropriate arrangements to plug the wells. Since you accepted neither alternative, the Commission was forced to enter its final order.

The order of July 19, 1967, was appealed to the Superior Court of Maricopa County. The appeal was found to be without merit and on May 15, 1968, formal written judgment was entered denying all relief and dissolving the temporary restraining order which had suspended the Commission order pending appeal.

On July 15, 1968, more than 30 days ago, the time period allowed for further appeal expired. Therefore, this matter has reached a final determination.

Following the entry of Judgment by the Superior Court, demands were again made upon you to comply with the Commission order. No significant response followed and, therefore, on June 18, 1968, formal notice and demand was sent to the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company and Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company, as sureties on your bonds which were given to insure compliance with lawful Commission orders pertaining to the plugging and abandonment of wells.

The bonds involved are as follows:

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United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company #22757-13-703-64 (May 1, 1964 - \$2,500) #22755-13-963-64 (January 25, 1964 - \$2,500) #22757-13-1651-63 (November 19, 1963 - \$2,500)

Hartford Accident & Indemnity Company #3186294 (November 27, 1961 - \$2,500)

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Mr. Richard F. Harless August 21, 1968 Page Three

To date, the Commission order remains unsatisfied and the Commission has no reasonable expectation that you will obey it.

Therefore, this letter is written to make final demand upon you, as the operator of those wells listed in this letter, and upon your surety companies to commence actual plugging operations as prescribed by the Commission order not later than October 1, 1968.

Your failure to do so will result in immediate action to declare and enforce a forfeiture of the bonds put up to secure your performance. The Commission will see to the plugging of the wells and will hold you and your sureties responsible for all costs incurred therewith.

You have been expended every courtesy in this matter. Additional delay cannot and need not be tolerated. Of necessity, we are sending copies of this final notice to your bonding companies with the intent that it serve as notice to all involved that plugging operations must be commenced within the stated time or a forfeiture will be sought.

Sincerely,

GARY K. NELSON The Attorney General

JOSEPH E. CLIFFORD III Assistant Attorney General

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cc: United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company

IN REPLY REFER TO:

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Brawer 1357 Roswell, New Mexico 83261

Λugust 27, 1963

### CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIFT PROMESTED

Hr. Richard F. Harlass 1000 Financial Center 3443 Worth Central Phoenix, Arizona 85012

Dear Mr. Harless:

On August 30, 1967; December 28, 1967; and June 27, 1966, we called upon you to plug and abandon well No. 36-C in sec. 3, T. 17 N., R. 4 E., Yavapai County, Arizona, on land included in empired oil and gas lease Arizona 023674, of which you are the leased. Operations on the leased land are covered by a \$10,000 leases's bond with you as principal and United States Fidelity & Guarancy Company, surety. To date, abandonment operations have not been started.

If plugging operations on the well have not been started before October 1, 1968, we shall take the necessity steps to do the absolutement work at Government expense. We will than call upon you and the surety on the lease bond for reinbursement for the actual cost of the work plus an additional 25 percent to compensate the Government for administrative costs in accordance with Title 30 GFR 221.54(a).

Sincerely yours,

JOHN A. ANDERDON Regional Oil and Goo Supervisor

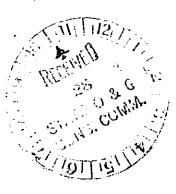
cc: United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co. c/o Mr. Curtis A. Jennings 1600 Arizona Title Building Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Mr. John Bannister Arizona Oil & Gas Cons. Comm. 1624 West Adams
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

BLM, Phoenix, Arizona

Mr. McGrath, Farmington, N. Mex.

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WHITE STATES

### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Drawer 1857 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

### CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company Calvert and Redwood Streets Baltimore, Maryland 21200

Gentlemen:

You are the surety on a \$10,000 lessee's oil and gas lease bond executed June 25, 1964, with Richard F. Harless as principal, covering certain lands in secs. 3, 9, and 10, T. 17 N., R. 4 E., G.ES.R.M., Yavapai County, Arizona, under expired oil and gas lease Arizona 023674.

Harless drilled a well to the depth of 360 feet in sec. 3 in 1964, and the well has not been properly plugged and abandoned. On August 30, 1967, we called on Harless to plug and abandon the well with a copy of such demand to you. On December 28, 1967, we again called on Harless to plug and abandon the well. On June 20, 1968, representatives of this office, our Farmington District Office, and the Arizona Oil and Gas Conservation Commission met with Harless in Phoenix, at which time we informed Harless that unless plugging eperations were started by July 20, we would call on the surety on the lease bond to plug and abandon the well. No action has been taken by Harless to do the abandonment work. In the circumstances, we are calling upon you as surety on the lease bond which covers the drilling and proper plugging and abandonment of the well to take the necessary action to secure its abandonment.

Minimum requirements for plugging the well are to fill the hole with mud-laden fluid or surface soil, place a 15-foot cement plug at the surface, and erect a 4-inch pipe marker 4 feet high. Remove all junk and level land surface disturbed. District Engineer P. T. McGrath of our Farmington Office, P. O. Box 959, Farmington, New Mexico, will be in direct charge of the plugging operations. You must communicate with him and receive his approval before starting the operations.

cc; Sincerely yours,

Mr. Richard F. Harless, Phoenix

Mr. John Bannister, AO&GCC, Phoenix

Mr. McGrath, Farmington, N. M. (ORIG. SGD.) JOHN A. ANDERSON

BLM, Phoenix

JOHN A. ANDERSON Regional Oil and Gas Supervisor

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZOMA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

RICHARD F. HARLESS. Plaintiff, NO. 204340 JUDGMENT THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF ARIZOMA, et al., Defendants.

Defendants having filed their motion for summary judgment, 12 and plaintiff having responded thereto, the matter came on for hearing on January 4, 1968, the plaintiff and defendants present by counsel. After hearing oral argument, the court took the matter under advisement, granting the parties additional time within which to file supplementary memoranda of law. These memoranda were filed and reviewed by the court, and there now 19. appearing to be no genuine issue as to any material fact and there being no just reason for delay, defendants are entitled to judgment as a matter of law;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that all relief sought in the complaint filed in the above numbered action on September 18, 1967, be denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the temporary restraining order issued by the court on October 4, 1967, be dissolved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that judgment be entered at this time. DONE in open court this \_\_\_\_ day of April, 1968.

Judge of the Superior Court

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Lodged with the court this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 1968. /S/ JOSEPH E. CLIFFCRO, 111 Joseph E. Clifford, 111 -1 5-, , capy of the foregoing mailed this // day of April, 1968, 8 Richard F. Harless Suite 1000 3443 North Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85012 1011 /n/ JOSEVH B. CLIFFORD, III 13 -15 16 17 81 19 20 21 22 23 -24 25 27 28 29

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4-22-68 Judge Chatein, Div. 8, V. Frhlquist, Deputy Clerk. RICHARD F. HARLESS

Richard F. Harless

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THE OIL AND GAS COMSERVATION COMMISSION OF ARTZONA, ET AL

NPR C 1 T Joseph E. Clifford, 1

Formal written Judgment denying all/relief and discolv the Restraining Order issued on October 4, \$1967 is lodged with the Court this date.

ATTORNEY GENERAL STATE OF ARIZONA

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Affarnen General

Phoenix. Arizona 83007

DARFFELL FLOMETH THE ARTHUR KINDSHIP WILLIAM D. FURANK

June 18, 1968

### CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co. 3605 North Seventh Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85013

### Gentlemen:

On May 15, 1968, the Superior Court for Maricopa County, Arizona, entered its judgment denying all relief to Richard F. Harless on his appeal from an order of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. This Court dissolved the temporary restraining order which had suspended previous attempts to secure enforcement of that order. A copy of the judgment is enclosed. Also enclosed is a copy of the discussed order of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, dated July 19, 1967.

Despite repeated demands from the Commission that Harless respond to this order by plugging certain wells and furnishing appropriate logs and drilling records, to date no compliance has occurred. The Commission has no reasonable expectation of compliance in the future.

Therefore, by this letter demand is made upon United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company upon its Bonds No. 22757-13-703-64 executed May 1, 1964 in the amount of \$2500, No. 22757-13-963-64 executed June 25, 1964 in the amount of \$2500, No. 22757-13-1651-63 executed November 19, 1963 in the amount of \$2500, to comply at once with the order of the Oil & Gas Conservation Commission referred to above, or forfeit the full amount of the bond. Specifically, the surety is requested to plug the following oil wells:

Harless - Federal #27B NW/4 NW/4, Sec. 4, T17N, R4E United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co. June 18, 1968 Page Two

> Harless - Federal #36C NE/4 NE/4, Sec. 3, T17N, R4E

Yavapai Oil Co. - Alsbury #18 NE/4 SW/4, Sec. 32, T18N, R4E

in the manner specified by the Commission order and to furnish the appropriate drilling records and logs as provided for by A.R.S. § 27-516.

The Commission requires that it be given notice of your intent to plug at least twenty-four hours in advance of performance so that it may arrange for one of its representatives to be in attendance at the site for supervisory purposes.

Additional information concerning access to the well site as well as mandatory and suggested plugging procedures may be obtained by contacting Mr. John Bannister, Oil & Gas Conservation Commission office in Phoenix. You are urged to contact Mr. Bannister.

As the legal representative of the Commission this office should be contacted with regard to any other matters pertaining to the bond or the Commission order.

Very truly yours,

DARRELL F. SMITH

The Attorney General Cliffed, #5

JOSEPH E. CLIFFORD, III

Assistant Attorney General

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### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY Drawer 1857 Roswell, New Mexico 88201

January 15, 1968

Mr. John Bannister Arizona Oil and Gas Conservation Commission 1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Dear Mr. Bannister:

By letters of December 28, 1967, this office called on Richard F. Harless to plug and abandon three wells in sec. 4, T. 17 N., R. 4 E., G.&S.R.M.; one well in sec. 3, T. 17 N., R. 4 E., G.&S.R.M.; and one well in sec. 32, T. 18 N., R. 4 E., G.&S.R.M., all in Yavapai County, Arizona. We advised Mr. Harless that unless the abandonment work were done promptly we would call on the sureties on the lease bonds for the wells in secs. 3 and 4 to do the abandonment work. The well in sec. 32 was drilled without our approval and no lease bond was filed.

As of this date Mr. Harless has not commenced any of the abandonment work. If such work has not been commenced by February 1, 1968, we plan to call on the sureties on the lease bonds to abandon the wells.

The Bureau of Land Management in Phoenix, Arizona, has informally advised us that Mr. Harless has filed an application for an oil and gas lease on sec. 4, T. 17 N., R. 3 E. The lease will not be issued unless (1) the three wells in sec. 4 are properly plugged and abandoned, or (2) a \$10,000 surety bond with retroactive provisions covering the abandonment of the three wells is furnished by Mr. Harless.

There is some question as to whether the three wells in sec. 4 can be properly plugged and abandoned with the \$5,000 provided by the Federal lessee's bond. Perhaps we can cooperate in getting the work done under the Federal lessee's bond and the \$2,500 drilling bonds required by the Arizona Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. We shall keep you advised of our actions in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN A. ANDERSON

Regional Oil and Gas Supervisor

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (October 1962) File Code Serial Number Legal Reference 634506 2/25/20 12.3 Oil and Gas, n.c. Name and Mailing Address Jack Riley P. O. Box 124 Blythe, California Description of Land T. 17 N., R. h E., Sec. 3, Lots 1,2,3,h,  $S_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $S_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (A11) Sec. 9,  $N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Sec. 10,  $N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ Covers 36 6 - #285 1274.48 Acres 10-year lease eff 4/1/1965 ACTION TAKEN. DATE OF ACTION Jan. 22, 1965 Jan. 26, 1965 Application filed. No. 1 offer, parcel No. 26, in simultaneous drawing. FER 3 1965 PEPORTS REQUESTED ES. TEPORTS RECEIVED I MAR 22 1965 March 22, 1965 10-year lease issued effective 4/1/1965. No bond.

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I HEREBY/CERTIFY that the reverse hereof is a complete and accurate copy of an official record of the Bureau of Land Management DEC - 4 1967

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Richard F. Harless 1410 North Central Avenue

Phoenix, Arizona

T. 17 N., R. 4 E., (Description of land) sec. 3, lots 1,2,3,4,  $S_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $S_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (all); sec. 10,  $N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Drawer 1857
Roswell, New Mexico 88201

CERTIFIED MAIL--RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Richard F. Harless 1000 Financial Center 3443 North Central Phoenix, Arizona 85012

Dear Mr. Harless:

August 30, 1967

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Office records show that you drilled a well for oil and gas on land included in expired lease Arizona 023674 of which you are the lessee. The well is No. 36-C, 660 feet from the North line and 660 feet from the East line of sec. 3, T. 17 N., R. 4 B., Yavapai County, Arizona. Available information indicates the well was drilled to a depth of 360 feet in 1964 with surface casing cemented at 1004 feet. Drilling operations are covered by a \$10,000 lessee's bond executed June 23, 1964, Richard F. Harless, principal, and United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, surety.

Part 221.34 Title 30, Code of Federal Regulations, applicable to operations on the leased land, provides "The lessee shall promptly plug and abandon or condition as a water well any well on the leased land that is not used or useful for the purpose of the lease."

You are hereby ordered to plug and abandon this well, abandonment operations to start within 60 days from the date of receipt of this letter. A notice of intention to abandon the well, outlining the work to be done in the abandonment, must be filed with District Engineer P. T. McGrath, U. S. Geological Survey, Box 959, Farmington, New Mexico, and his approval obtained before commencing operations.

Minimum requirements for plugging the well are: Fill the hole with mudladen fluid, place a 15 foot cement plug at the surface, and erect a 4-inch pipe marker 4 feet high. Remove all junk and level land surface disturbed.

cc;

Sincerely yours,

United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co.

Baltimore, Maryland (Cert. Mail)(ORIG. SGD.) JOHN A. ANDERSON

Mr. John Bannister Arizona Oil & Gas Coms. Comm.

JOHN A. ANDERSON Regional Oil and Gas Supervisor

1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Mr. McGrath, Farmington, New Mexico

Bureau of Land Management 3022 Federal Building Phoenix, Arizona 85025 J

BEFORE THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEARING CALLED BY THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA ON ITS OWN MOTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING:

CASE NO. 21 ORDER NO. 22

WHY THE COTTONWOOD OIL CO. INC. #1
STATE WELL, THE RICHARD F. HARLESS
#1 FEDERAL WELL, THE YAVAPAI OIL
CORP. #18 ALSBURY FEDERAL WELL, THE
RICHARD F. HARLESS #27B FEDERAL
WELL, AND THE RICHARD F. HARLESS
#36C WELL, SHOULD NOT BE ORDERED
PLUGGED FOR VIOLATION OF THE DULY
ADOPTED RULES AND REGULATIONS OF
THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION.

### ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

### BY THE COMMISSION

This cause having come regularly on for hearing at 11:00 a.m. on July 19, 1967, at Phoenix, Arizona, before the OIL AND GAS CON-SERVATION COMMISSION of the STATE OF ARIZONA, hereinafter referred to as the "COMMISSION".

Now, on this 19th day of July, 1967, the COMMISSION, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony presented, and being fully advised in the premises, finds as follows,

### FINDINGS:

(1) THAT due public notice having been given as required by law, the COMMISSION has jurisdiction of the cause and the subject matter thereof.

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- (2) THAT as to each of the wells subject hereto the operator of record is in violation of Rule 202.B of the duly adopted Rules and Regulations of the COMMISSION.
- (3) THAT it is in the best interests of the State of Arizona and of the health and welfare of the people of the State of Arizona that said wells be plugged and abandoned or converted to a water well as indicated in the order below, and that the permits for each well as issued by this COMMISSION should be terminated.
- (4) THAT upon full and timely compliance with the provisions of this order and all other obligations to this COMMISSION the various bonds may be released in accordance with provisions of Rule 101.E.
- (5) THAT the operator of each of the captioned wells be given sixty (60) days from receipt of this notice within which to bring himself into compliance with this order and all other Rules and Regulations.
- (6) THAT the plea of Richard F. Harless as an individual, as President of Yavapai Oil Corp., and as President of Cottonwood Oil Company, Inc., is without merit and fails to excuse the violations of Rule 202.B.

### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(a) THAT the request of Richard F. Harless as an individual, as President of Yavapai Oil Corp., and as President of Cottonwood Oil Company, Inc., for additional time in which to commence work on these wells is hereby denied.

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(b) THAT the Cottonwood Oil Co.Inc. #1 State well, located NW/4 NW/4 Section 20-Township 16 North-Range 4 East, Yavapai County, Arizona, Permit 96, has been accepted by Mr. Frank Gyberg, Cornville, Arizona, as a water well. This well need not be plugged.

All samples and a copy of any logs which may have been run together with a copy of the driller's log, shall be furnished to the COMMISSION within the time herein allowed.

Permit 96 is hereby terminated. Fireman's Fund Insurance Company bond M605 2443 in the amount of \$2,500.00 may be released upon the full and timely compliance with this order and the Rules and Regulations of this Commission and upon written application as provided in Rule 101.E.

(c) THAT the Richard F. Harless #1 Federal well, located SW/4 NW/4 Section 4-Township 17 North-Range 4 East, Yavapai County, Permit 169, Arizona,/shall be plugged and abandoned in the following manner:

Cement plugs shall be set at the following intervals:
from total depth to 1700 feet;
from 1250 feet to 1200 feet;
from 750 feet to 700 feet;
from 550 feet to 500 feet;

from 250 feet to 200 feet; from 15 feet to surface.

and all debris removed.

The intervals between the plugs shall be filled with heavy mud-laden fluid. A surface marker shall be set in accordance with Rule 104.A and Rule 202.A.7. Well site shall be leveled, the pit back filled,

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Plugging Record (Form 10) and Well Completion Report (Form 4), as well as all samples and a copy of all logs which may have been run, together with a copy of the driller's log, shall be furnished to the COMMISSION within the time herein allowed.

Permit 169 is hereby terminated. Hartford Accident & Indemnity Company bond 3186294 in the amount of \$2,500.00 may be released upon the full and timely compliance with this order and the Rules and Regulations of this COMMISSION and upon written application as provided in Rule 101.E.

(d) That the Yavapai Oil Corp. #18 Alsbury Federal well, located NE/4 SW/4 Section 32-Township 18 North-Range 4 East, Yavapai County, Arizona, Permit 257, shall be plugged and abandoned in the following Manner: the entire hole from total depth to surface shall be set with cement. A surface marker shall be set in accordance with Rule 104.A and Rule 202.A.7. Well site shall be leveled, the pit back filled and all debris removed.

Plugging Record (Form 10) and Well Completion Report (Form 4), as well as all samples and a copy of all logs which may have been run, together with a copy of the driller's log, shall be furnished to the COMMISSION within the time herein allowed.

Permit 257 is hereby terminated. U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company bond 22757-13-1651-63 in the amount of \$2,500.00 may be released upon the full and timely compliance with this order and the Rules and Regulations of this COMMISSION and upon written application as provided in Rule 101.E.

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(e) THAT the Richard F. Harless #27B Federal well, located NW/4 NW/4 Section 4-Township 17 North-Range 4East, Yavapai County, Arizona, Permit 278, shall be plugged in the following manner:

cement plugs shall be set at the following intervals:
from total depth to 1700 feet;
from 1250 feet to 1200 feet;
from 750 feet to 700 feet;
from 550 feet to 500 feet;
from 250 feet to 200 feet;

The intervals between the plugs shall be filled with heavy mud-laden fluid. A surface marker shall be set in accordance with Rule 104.A and Rule 202.A.7. Well site shall be leveled, the pit back filled,

from 15 feet to surface.

and all debris removed.

, Plugging Record (Form 10) and Well Completion Report (Form 4), as well as all samples and a copy of all logs which may have been run, together with a copy of the driller's log, shall be furnished to the COMMISSION within the time herein allowed.

Permit 278 is hereby terminated. U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company bond 22757-13-703-64 in the amount of \$2,500.00 may be released upon the full and timely compliance with this order and the Rules and Regulations of this COMMISSION and upon written application as provided in Rule 101.E.

(f) THAT the Richard F. Harless #36C Federal well, located NE/4 NE/4 Section 3-Township 17 North-Range 4 East, Yavapai County,

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Arizona, Permit 285, shall be plugged in the following manner: the entire hole from total depth to surface shall be filled with cement. A surface marker shall be set in accordance with Rule 104.A and Rule 202.A.7. Well site shall be leveled, the pit back filled, and all debris removed.

Plugging Record (Form 10) and Well Completion Report (Form 4), as well as all samples and a copy of all logs which may have been run, together with a copy of the driller's log, shall be furnished to the COMMISSION within the time herein allowed.

Permit 285 is hereby terminated. U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company bond 22757-13-963-64 in the amount of \$2,500.00 may be released upon the full and timely compliance with this order and the Rules and Regulations of this COMMISSION and upon written application as provided in Rule 101.E.

(g) THAT prior to commencing plugging operations notice shall be given to the COMMISSION in ample time to enable the COMMISSION to have a representative present to witness these operations.

### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

THAT full compliance with the conditions of this order and all other applicable Rules and Regulations of the COMMISSION shall be made within sixty (60) days of receipt of this order.

DONE at Phoenix, Arizona, on the day and year hereinabove designated.

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION STATE OF ARIZONA

(SEAL)

(Original signed)

Lucien B. Owens, Vice Chairman

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February 6, 1967

Mr. Phil McGrath U.S. Geological Survey P.O. Box 959 Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Harless #36C Federal well NE NE 3-17N-4E, Yavapai County, Arizona Our File 285

Dear Phil:

I regret to inform you that my telephone conversation and letter of February 3, 1967 concerning captioned well was based upon an erroneous report from my scientist.

It turns out that Mr. Scurlock in going to this well stopped short of the actual location, at which point the Walker-Neery rig had apparently been moved in order to begin work on a new well. This office has no permit issued for a location and Mr. Scurlock is now uncertain as to what the location of the rig is.

Mr. Scurlock at this time is visiting the Kerr-McGee #1 Navajo and will return via Sedona and will secure further information concerning the location of this rig. I am sure, however, it is on Federal land. As I learn more I certainly will advise you.

I would like to ask you to excuse the assumption made by this department when we came across the rig.

Very truly yours,

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John Bannister Executive Secretary C

February 3, 1967

Mr. Phil McGrath
U.S. Geological Survey
P.O. Box 959
Farmington, New Mexico

Re: Harless #36C Federal well NE NE 3-17N-4E, Yavapai County, Arizona Our File 285

Dear Phil:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of this date I checked with Mrs. Pat Skelpaa of Bureau of Land Management and she advises that the new lease in questions is AR 034536 registered to Mr. Jack Riley, P.O. Box 124, Blythe, California. The lease covers: all of Section 3, the north half of Section 9, the north half of Section 10, Township 17 North, Range 4 East. The file shows no assignments of any nature and no bond has been posted. Mrs. Skelpsa has advised that she will alert the oil and gas people in BLM to advise us of any change of status prior to our hearing. Needless to say, we will advise you.

For the record, Mr. Jim Scurlock, Geologist from this office, visited this well site this date. He found that a Walker-Neer rotary rig had been moved over the hole, The mast at this time was not raised.

However, whereas at our last visit to the well site the celler had been boxed in and surface pipe extended some three feet above the ground with a cap welded on it, the surface pipe has now been cut off and the boxing of the celler removed.

Mr. Scurlock saw no indication that additional work had been at this time performed. Needless to say, this office will closely keep our eye on this situation and will keep you advised as to any further develop, ents.

I am looking forward to seeing you on the 15th.

Very truly yours,

John Bannister Executive Secretary റ

SAMUEL P. GODDARD GOVERNOR LYNN LOCKHART

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OFFICE OF

Oil and Gus Conservation Commission

STATE OF ARIZONA ROOM 202

Phoentx, Arizona 85007

PHONE: 271-5161

JOHN BANNISTER EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

J. R. SCURLOCK PETROLEUM GEOLOGIST

No. \* delivered 9-26-66 Receipts in Fele 278

September 24, 1966

U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty Co. 3424 N. Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona \*\* No. 231520

Firemans Fund Insurance Co. 3800 N. Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85012 + No. 23/5/9

Hartford Accident and Indemnity Co. P.O. Box 2945 Phoenix, Arizona 85002 
\* No. 23/5/8

Yavapai Cil Corp. #18 Alsbury Federal well NE SW 32-18N-4E, Yavapai County, Arizona, Permit 257 U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Co. Bond 22757-13-1651-63

Harless #27B well NW NW 4-17N-4E, Yavapai County, Arizona, Permit 278 U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Co. Bond 22757-13-703-64

Harless #36C Federal well NE NE 3-17N-4E, Yavapai County, Arizona, Permit 285 U.S. Fidelity & Guraranty Co. Bond 22757-13-963-64

Cottonwood Oil Co. #1 State well NW NW 20~16N-4E, Yavapai County, Arizona, Permit 96 Fireman's Fund Insurance Company Bond M6052443

Harless #1 Federal well SW NW 4-17N-4E, Yavapai County, Arizona, Permit 169 Hartford Accident & Indemnity Co. Bond 3186294

#### Gentlemen:

The principals on your captioned bonds have failed to comply with this Commission's order sent by letter on August 17, 1966. Copy is attached for your files.

Inasmuch as principals have failed to comply, you are hereby ordered to plug the captioned wells under your bonds., The plugging

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U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Co. Firemans Fund Insurance Co. Hartford Accident & Indemnity Co. September 24, 1966 Page 2

of each of the wells involved is set out in detail on the attached letters.

The plugging of these wells must be accomplished within thirty days of receipt of this letter by you. Should this order be ignored, we of course have no alternative but to turn to the Attorney General for further action.

Inasmuch as these wells are located within close proximity of each other, it is suggested that in order to conserve costs a joint effort of the bonding companies be made and the cost perhaps prorated. If this method of compliance is used, one plugging team could accomplish the whole project at a greatly reduced cost.

Please be assured of the cooperation of this Commission in any way possible.

Very truly yours,

John Bannister Executive Secretary mr encs

cc: Mr. Richard F. Harless, 1000 Financial Center, Phoenix, Arizona7+No.
Cottonwood Oil Co., Attention: Mr. Richard F. Harless
Yavapai Oil Corp., Attention: Mr. Richard F. Harless

Attorney General, Attention: Mr. John McGowan

U.S. Geological Survey, F.O. Box 959, Farmington, New Mexico

State Land Department

ba: Dennis De Concini, Governors Office

September 22, 1966

Mr. Richard F. Barless Attorney at Law 1000 Financial Center 3424 B. Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85012

Re: Cottonwood Oil #1 State
NW NW 20-168-4E, Yavapai County
Permit 96

Marless #1 Federal NW NW 4-17H-4E, Yavapai County Permit 169

Yavapai 011 Corp. #18 Alabury Federal well NE SW 32-18H-4E, Yavapai County, Arisona Fermit 257

Harless #278 well HW NW 4-17H-4E, Yavapai County, Permit 278

Harless #36C Federal well HE ME 3-17N-4E, Yavapai County Permit 285

Pear Mr. Harless:

Your letter of September 21, 1966 concerning this Commission's plugging orders for captioned wells is hereby acknowledged.

As you were advised, on Monday September 19, 1966, this Commission met at its regular meeting on September 21, 1966. You failed to appear before this Commission at that time. Consequently I remain under their specific orders to passed with the plugging of these wells and I will fulfill their orders.

Mr. Richard F. Harless September 22, 1966 Page 2

As you were advised, should these orders not be timely complied with, I will mave no alternative but to immediately request that the bonding companies bring these wells into compliance with our Rules and Regulations and orders.

Should you have any questions, would you please advise. Very truly yours.

John Banuister Executive Secretary mr

cc: Attorney General, Attention: Hr. John HcGownn
U.S. Geological Survey, P.O. Box 959, Farmington, N.X.
State Land Department
U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Co., 3424 N. Central Avenue, Sheenix
Firemans Fund Insurance Co., 3800 N. Central Ave., Phoenix
Hartford Accident & Indonnity Co. P.O. Box 2945, Phoenix

bcc: Dennis Deconcini, Governor's Office

TELEPHONE 264-1831

### RICHARD F. HARLESS

ATTORNEY AT LAW
SUITE 1000, FINANCIAL CENTER
CENTRAL AVENUE AT OSBORN ROAD
PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85012

September 21, 1966

Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Room 202, 1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Attn: Mr. John Bannister

Executive Secretary

Re: Harless #1 Federal 7

Harless ∦1 Federal Well NW NW 4-17N-4E Yavapai County Permit 169

Cottonwood Oil #1 State NWNW 20-16N-4E, Yavapai County Permit 96

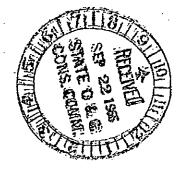
Yavapai Oil Corp. #18 Alsbury Well NE SW 32-18N-4E, Yavapai County Permit 257

Harless #27B Federal Well NW NW 4-17N-4E, Yavapai County Permit 278

Harless #36C Federal Well NE NE 3-17N-4E, Yavapai County Permit 285

### Dear Mr. Bannister:

This is in response to your letters dated August 17, 1966 pertaining to the above entitled matters. Although I am the designated operator and am on the bonds for these particular wells, in each instance other parties have an interest, and I deemed it advisable to confer with all interested parties before taking final action pursuant to your order to have each well plugged and abandoned. I find that the other interested parties are making requests to have a hearing before the commission with reference to all of these items. Therefore, I



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must give consideration to the desires and wishes of these interested parties and await the outcome of thehearing before taking final steps in these matters.

I understand you will receive within the next two days requests for hearings from various interested parties. Please advise me of the date of the hearings.

Very truly 'yours

RICHARD F. HARNESS Attorney at Law

(See ARS 27-516(b) As amended and ARS 27-517)

RFH:jt

cc:

Hartford Accident & Indemnity Co. Fireman's Fund Insurance Company U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty Company U.S. Geological Survey Attn: Mr. Phil McGrath

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CERTIFIED MAIL No. 231514

August 17, 1966

Mr. Michard P. Harless Attorney at Law 1000 Financial Center 3443 North Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85012

Re: Harless #36C Federal well ME NE 3-17R-4E, Yavapai County, Arizona Permit 285

Dear Hr. Harless:

Captioned well is in violation of Rule 202.8 of Rules and Regulations. Consequently this well : abandoned.

This well must be plugged and abandoned in the i

The entire hole from total depth to surface of the with sement. The exact location of the well of the pipe not less than 4 inches in diameter sequenced and extending at least 4 feet above the general ground level. A permanent sign of durable construction shall be welded or otherwise permanently attached to the pipe and shall contain the following information: (1) The name of the well; (2) Location of the well by quarter-quarter section, township and range; (3) The State's drilling permit number.

This work must be completed within 30 days of receipt of this order of the Commission. Should this work not timely be completed we will have no choice but to go to the bonding company and order it to plug this well.

In addition, at the time the plugging is accomplished, copies of all logs taken, the driller's log, the Plugging Record (Form 10), and Well Completion Report (Form 4) shall be submitted to the Commission.

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CERTIFIED MAIL No. 231514

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August 17, 1966

Mr. Richard P. Harless Attorney at Law 1000 Financial Center 3443 North Central Avenue Phoenix, Arisona 85012

Re: Harless #36C Federal well HE HE 3-17H-4E, Yavapai County, Arisona Permit 283

Doer Mr. Marless:

Captioned well is in violation of Rule 202.8 of this Commission's Rules and Regulations. Consequently this well is ordered plugged and abandoned.

This well must be plugged and abandoned in the following manner:

The entire hole from total depth to surface shall be filled with earent. The exact location of the well shall be marked by a piece of pipe not less than 4 inches in diameter securely set in the concrete and extending at least 4 feet above the general ground level. A parmenent sign of durable construction shall be welded or otherwise permanently attached to the pipe and shall contain the following information: (1) The name of the well; (2) Location of the well by quarter-quarter section, township and range; (3) The State's drilling permit number.

This work must be completed within 30 days of receipt of this order of the Consission. Should this work not timely be completed we will have no choice but to go to the bonding company and order it to plug this well.

In addition, at the time the plugging is accomplished, copies of all logs taken, the driller's log, the Plugging Record (Form 10), and well Completion Report (Form 4) shall be submitted to the Commission.

INSTRUCTIONS TO DELIVERING EMPLOYEE

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Mr. Richard F. Harless August 17, 1966 Page 2

Should you have any questions concerning this order, please advise. Vary truly yours,

John Bannister Executive Secretary er enc; Ferm 10 Form 4

cc: U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty Company 3424 North Central Phoenix, Arisona

> U.S. Geological Survey P.O. Box 959 Farmington, New Mexico Attention: Mr. Phil McGrath

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bcc: Mr. Dennis DeCoconini, Governor's Office

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File # 96, 169, 251, 267.

## RICHARD F. HARLESS ATTORNEY AT LAW 1213 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE

PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85004 258-8558

July 13, 1965

Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Room 202, 1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona

Attn: Mr. John Bannister Executive Secretary

Dear Mr. Bannister:

In our discussions and your letters you have requested information with reference to the time of completion of certain wells now under the control of Yavapai Oil Corporation. Following is such information.

1. Cottonwood No. 1, located on the NWI NWI, Sec. 20, T16N, R4E, # 96 G&SRB&M, Yavapai County, Arizona. Permit 96

> No drilling has been done on this well since 1960. A steel plate is welded on top of the well so no one can enter it. It is our intention to re-enter this well and complete it. Recently I talked with one of the Sutcliffe brothers, who has a reversionary right in the lease and informed him that it is our intention to re-enter the well within the next two or three months. I would like to have up to and including November 1, 1965 to carry out this intention.

2. Harless No. 1, (aka Harless No. 9), located on the NW NW NW # 169 Sec. 4, T17N, R4E, G&SRB&M, Yavapai County, Arizona. Persed 167

> There has been a discovery in this well. A tool stuck in the well has prevented us from producing the well. We have arranged for equipment to come into the area within the next sixty days which we feel will be adequate to reactivate this well. I shall keep you advised.

# 247 3. Harless No. 27, located on the NW Sec. 4, T17N, R4E, G&SRB&M, Yavapai County, Arizona.

> We have declared this well to be a water well and shall proceed to get clearance to accept this well from the Forest Service.

# 7854. Well No. 36C, NEX NEX Sec. 3, T17N, R4E, G&SRB&M, Yavapai County, Arizona.

> As explained in my letter to you dated July 9, 1965, the lease on this well has been terminated. However, negotiations are now

Mr. John Bannister July 13, 1965 Page 2

under way for the reacquisition of the area and we hope to reactivate this well on or before November 1, 1965.

# 257 5. Alsbury Well, located on Sec. 32, T18N, R4E, G&SRB&M, Yavapai Gounty, Arizona.

As I have explained to you in my letter of July 9th, unless Mr. Alsbury supplies an independent bond and makes plans for the activation of this well within the next sixty days we will apply to plug and abandon this well.

In spite of delays in our plans it now appears that something productive will be done within the next two or three months in further exploration on these wells, and I trust you will be patient awhile longer as we undertake this new program with the backing of substantial independent interests.

I shall report to you on matters from time to time and keep you informed.

Sincerely,

RICHARD F. HARLESS Attorney at Law

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File 96,169,257,267, 278, 285

RICHARD F. HARLESS ATTORNEY AT LAW

1218 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85004

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July 9, 1965

Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Room 202, 1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona

Attn: Mr. John Bannister Executive Secretary

Permits No. 285, 267, 257, 278, Re:

169 and 96 💳

Dear Mr. Bannister:

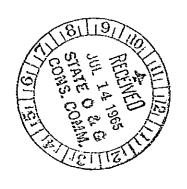
In response to your letters of June 3rd and 6th, 1965, following is a report concerning the bonds and applicable power of attorney concerning each of the above permits.

- ▶1. Permit No. 278, Well No. 27B, U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company Bond No. 22757-13-703-64.
- 2. Permit No. 285, Well No. 36-C, U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company Bond No. 22757-13-963-64.
- Permit No. 267, Well No. 27, U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company Bond No. 22757-13-347-64. (Erroneously called Hartford Accident & Indemnity Bond). (Your letters of June 3 and 6, 1965).

Copies of the above listed bonds along with the Power-of-Attorney of Mr. Durand Eaton who executed the bonds enclosed.

Permit No. 257, Alsbury, U.S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company Bond No. 22757-13-1651-63.

Attached is a copy of this bond. Mr. Eaton's Powerof-Attorney is also applicable to this bond. You will recall that I advised you that after the filing of this bond Mr. Alsbury had this lease transferred to his name and did not file an operating agreement. I requested that he issue the bonds in his name. He did file with the US Bureau of Land Management a \$10,000 bond, and advised me that he would file a bond with you in the amount of \$2,500. I have made numerous requests to



Mr. John Bannister July 9, 1965 Page 2

Mr. Alsbury and his bonding company to file with you such a bond. Today I have again requested that this bond be filed in order to relieve my bond, and have advised Mr. Alsbury that unless this is done on or before September 1, 1965 I will apply to plug and abandon this well.

- 5. Permit No. 169, Harless Federal No. 1, Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company Bond No. N 3186294.
- 6. Permit No. 96, Cottonwood No. 1, Fireman's Fund Bond No. M-6052443.

Copies of the above listed bonds along with the Power-of-Attorney of the appropriate agent executing the bonds enclosed.

With reference to your letter of May 27th, wherein you requested information on several items, the following is supplied.

Permit No. 267, Harless No. 27. Application was made to convert this well into a water well which would release the bond in this instance. My records show that I forwarded to you a letter from the Forest Service giving permission to convert this well. However, I am informed that you do not have such a letter, therefore I have again made a request of the Forest Service for a permit to hold this well as a water well. Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated May 8, 1964, which states in substance that a well drilled for oil and gas may be converted to a water well when there is a shortage of water. There is a need for water in this area and inasmuch as the subject well has ample water it should not be plugged. As soon as the Forest Service accepts this well I will forward a copy of their acceptance to you. You will recall that Mr. Cecil Miller did file a letter of acceptance of the well, but in my letter of May 14, 1964, I requested that you hold Mr. Miller in abeyance because of his failure to also file a letter allowing me to re-enter the well at a later date to deepen the same.

Permit No. 285, Well No. 36C. Although this lease has been terminated since the subject well was started, I have negotiated with the party who acquired Section 3, T17N, R4E, G&SRB&M, which is the area involved, terms have been worked out and I am confident that the area will be acquired within thirty days. I will advise you of the progress on this matter on or before August 14, 1965. Upon the reacquisition of this area a new permit will be applied for, meanwhile our bond continues in force.

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If I can be of further assistance, or if further information is necessary, please contact me.

Sincerely,

RICHARD F. HARLESS Attorney at Law

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May 27, 1955

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Mr. Richard F. Harless Accorney at Lau 1218 N. Central Avenua Phoenin, Arizona

Re: Cottonwood Oil &l State well Permit 96

> Yavapsi Oil Alabury #18 well Permit 257

Harless \$27 Faderel well Permic 267

Mariess #360 Federal Permit 285

Dear Mr. Harless:

We are in receipt of your latter of May 21, 1965.

As to the Cottonwood 31 State well, you are aware that this well has only a steel plate welded on top of the pipe. This of course is not a protection for any water, etc., which may be in this hold.

You indicated in your letter that you feel the well should be completed but you do not indicate positive intention to do this.

Mould you please advice us specifically if this is your intention, and if so, give us some indication as to a possible time.

Permit 257 was secured by the Yavapai Oil Corporation under your signature. This office of course must look to you, as permittee, for responsibility of this well. The bond of course is to Yavapai Oil Corporation and not to Mr. Alsbury.

Mr. Richard F. Harless

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May 27, 1965

Would you please advice this office, and in more detail, your intentions concerning this well.

As to the Harless #27 Veleral, your letter indicates that this well has been accepted by the U.S. Forest Service as a water well. As we have previously advised, we must have a letter in our files from the U.S. Forest Service reflecting acceptance of this wall as a water well. Our files do not contain such a letter. Will you please secure this as soon as possible.

Since this well has been completed, a copy of any logs, including your daily drilling log or other information secured by you, must be filed with this office.

As to the barless #360 Federal, incomuch as the original lease upon which this was commenced has expired, the permit involved must be terminated. If it is your desire to remeter this hole, you must secure a new permit and furnish evidence from the bonding company that the bond now in force covers you operations on the new lease and on the new permit. Of course a completely new bond may be furnished.

In lieu of this, this office will have no choice but to enforce our order to plug this well.

We have no desire to work a hardship on you or your operations; but it is necessary and mandatory that our records clearly reflect all of the items which we have discussed in this letter.

Your earliest ecoperation will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

John Basnister Enecutive Secretary

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RICHARD F. HARLESS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
1219 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE
PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85004
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May 21, 1965

Oil ami Gas Conservation Commission State Capitol Annex, Room 202 1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona

Attn: Mr. John Bannister Executive Secretary

Dear Mr. Bannister:

I have your letters of March 2 and April 29, 1965, with reference to the following oil and gas wells:

Harless #1 Federal well NW/4NW/4 S4-T17N-R4E, Yavapai County Permit 169

Harless #27B Federal NW/4NW/4 S4-T17N-R4E, Yavapai County Permit 278

Harless #36C Federal NE/4NE/4 S3-T17N-R4E, Yavapai County Permit 285

I am filing herewith Sundry Notices and Reports on the aforesaid wells. Although there has been a temporary cessation of activity on some of these wells, it is our plan and intention to complete all of them except Harless #27 Federal which was drilled under Permit 267. That well has been designated a water well and was released to and accepted by the U. S. Forest Service. The Cottonwood Oil Well #1 drilled under Permit 96 has been inactive for several years. I have maintained the bond on this well because I feel the well should be completed. Presently there is a steel plate welded on top of the pipe and a wire fence around the well. I would be glad to discuss this matter with you should you desire.

The Alsbury Well #18 drilled under Permit 257 is really on the lease belonging to and under the control of Mr. Alsbury of Los Angeles. I talked to him recently about plans for this well, and he indicated that he would go forward in the future.

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Mr. John Bannister Executive Secretary Page Two May 21, 1965

The Sundry Notices and Reports on the other wells mentioned in your letter are attached hereto. I have held up filing these notices because of the inactivity on the wells for several months. If it is your desire for me to file notices even though the activity has been dormant, I shall do so. Be assured that I will report to you any activity on any of the wells.

I trust that this is satisfactory to you.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD F. HARKES Attorney at Law

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**Gil** and Gas Conservation Commission

STATE OF ARIZONA ROOM 202 1624 WEST ADAMS

Phoenix, Arizona 85007 PHONE: 271-5161

April 29, 1965

Mr. Richard F. Harless Attorney at Law 1218 N. Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Cottonwood Oil #1 State well
NW/4NW/4 S20-T16N-R4E, Yavapai County
Permit 96

Harless #1 Federal well NW/4NW/4 S4-T17N-R4E, Yavapai County Permit 169

Yavapai Oil Alsbury #18 well NE/4SW/4 S32-T18N-R4E, Yavapai County Permit 257

Harless #27 Federal NW/4NW/4 S4-T17N-R4E, Yavapai County Permit 267

Harless #27B Federal NW/4NW/4 S4-T17N-R4E, Yavapai County Permit 278

Harless #36C Federal NE/4NE/4 S3-T17N-R4E, Yavapai County Permit 285

Dear Dick:

Enclosed are the Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells forms which you should fill out, one on each of the subject wells.

Please give us as complete a report as possible, covering such data as spud date, acidizing, perforating, treatments, present depth, present status, etc.

As I say, we also need from you a written request to suspend

JOHN BANNISTER
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

J. R. SCURLOCK
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operations on Permits 169, 257, and 278 as well as a declaration of your future intentions in these holes.

According to correspondence in the file for Permit 285, you will need a new permit to again commence operations. We also note this hole was ordered plugged. However, since you have stated verbally that you have regained control of this lease, I think the thing for you to do is to advise the Commission of your intentions and request the Commission to set aside the plugging order.

Mr. Bannisster's letter of May 19, 1964 advised you that a written acceptance by the Forest Service of the well drilled under Permit 267 must be furnished this office. To date the Forest Service acceptance has not been received in this office. We again request that it be furnished as soon as possible.

The hole drilled under Permit 96 appears to have been abandoned since April of 1961. Will you please advise of the current status and intentnion on this well. If it has been plugged, we do need the plugging record, the well completion report, and copies of logs.

All of your requests to the Commission can be handled in one letter if you desire.

You are also probably aware that the Regulations require that you maintain a orderly set of ten-foot drilling samples for our purposes. And of course we would pick these up at the well sites.

Duplicate copies of all logs run are to be filed with the Commission as soon as possible.

The Form No. 25, Sundry Notices and Reports on Wells should be submitted monthly. Since the Commission desires that it be kept informed as to the progress and developments of all wells, it should be notified when a well is spudded, logged or tested, the results of the tests, if operations are being suspended for any reason, etc., whether or not any of these coincide with the monthly reporting. We are enclosing a supply of the form sufficient for your needs to accomplish this; should you exhaust the supply please let us know and we shall furnish you another supply.

If you have any questions, or if we can be of any service to you, please contact us.

Yours very truly,

J.R. Scurlock Petroleum Geologist

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March 2, 1965

Mr. Richard F. Harless Attorney at Law 1218 North Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Narless Federal 36C well NE/4NE/4, S3-T17N-R4E, Yavapai County Permit 285

Dear Mr. Barless:

Inasmuch as drilling operations have been suspended on the captioned well for a period in excess of sixty days, this is to advise, in accordance with Rule 202.8, that the captioned well must be plugged and abandoned in accordance with this Commission's Rules and Regulations.

It is suggested that you contact Mr. Jim Scurlock, Geologist, and discuss a proper plugging program.

For your convenience we are enclosing copies of Form 9, Application to Abandon and Plug, Form 10, Plugging Record, and Form 4, Well Completion Report.

Should you have any questions, would you please advise. Yours very truly,

John Bannister Executive Secretary mr enc

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February 11, 1965

Mr. Richard F. Harless Attorney At Law 1218 North Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Harless Federal 36C well NE/4NE/4, S3-T17N-R4E, Yavapai County Our file 285

Dear Mr. Harless:

During our telephone conversation of January 19, 1965 concerning your loss of Lease AR 23674, as later confirmed by your letter of January 22, 1965, you were attempting to secure the acreage lost by you when the above lease expired by operation of law.

Inasmuch as the captioned well is not now being worked upon, and, inasmuch as to the best of our knowledge, you no longer have a lease covering the dirlling location, this well technically should be plugged and abandoned.

Before ordering such action we would appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience as to the current situation concerning this well.

Yours very truly,

John Bannister Executive Secretary

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RICHARD F. HARLESS

ATTORNEY AT LAW

1218 XXX NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE
PHOENIX. ARIZONA

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January 22, 1965

Mr. John Bannister
Executive Secretary
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
Room 202, 1624 W. Adams
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Federal Lease No. AR-23674 Your file No. 285

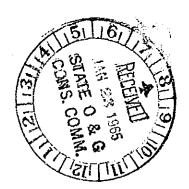
Dear Mr. Bannister:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 19th, with reference to the above entitled matter. It is my intention to follow the procedure as prescribed by law, and I will forward the forms to you when the procedure is completed.

Sincerely yours, Harlen

RICHARD F. HARLESS Attorney at Law

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January 19, 1965

Mr. Richard F. Harless Attorney at Lav 1218 North Central Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Richard F. Harless Federal 36C well NE/4NE/4, S3-T17H-R4E, Yavapai County, Arizona Federal Lease AR-023674 Our File 285

Dear Mr. Harless:

By operation of law, the captioned Federal lease expried on December 31, 1964. Inasmuch as you are now unable to complete the captioned well this is to advise that our Permit 285 will no longer be in force and effect.

In the event that you secure a new lease on this area and desire to continue operation on this well, it will be necessary that a new permit be filed with this office.

According to our records this well has been drilled to a depth of approximately 120 feet. It will be necessary that this hole be plugged by filling with cament.

At your earliest convenience will you please complete and file with this office the following:

Porm 9, Application to Bandon and Plug Form 10, Plugging Record Form 4, Well Completion Report.

For your convenience we are enclosing copies of each.

Should you have any questions concerning this action, please advise.

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Yours very truly,

John Bannister Executive Secretary or enc

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January 19, 1965

cc: Mr. Roy Relmandollar, Manager, Land Department, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, 230 N. 1st Ave., Phoenix

Mr. Phil McGrath, District Engineer, U.S. Geological Survey, P.O. Box 959, Farmington, New Mexico

Mr. John A. Anderson, U.S. Geological Survey, 120 W. Second, Roswell, New Mexico

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October 7, 1964

Mr. Richard F. Harless 1218 N. Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Harless Federal 36C Well Permit 285

Dear Mr. Harless:

Enclosed is approved copy of Application to Drill subject well.

If this office may be of assistance to you at any time, please advise.

Yours very truly,

John Bannister Executive Secretary

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RICHARD F. HARLESS

ATTORNEY AT LAW

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September 28, 1964

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Oil and Gas Conservation Commission State Capitol Annex, Room 202 1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona

Attn: Mr. John Bannister Executive Secretary

Re: Well No. 36A

Well No. 36A Sec. 3, T17N, R4E, Yavapai County, Arizona

Dear Mr. Bannister:

Because of the inaccessibility of the location for Well No. 36A, on Sec. 3, T17N, R4E, G&SRB&M, Yavapai County, Arizona, it is desirable to substitute for this location the E½ of the NE½ of said Section. Therefore, please have our permit which was heretofore issued under the title of Well No. 36A changed to No. 36C, as shown on the location map site heretofore filed with you, and the bond and all other matters pertaining to this location substituted accordingly.

In order to clarify the records for this substitution, I am filing herewith a substitute application for a permit to drill a well.

Very truly yours

RICHARD F. HARLESS Attorney at Law

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August 14, 1964

Oil and Gas Conservation Commission State Capitol Annex, Room 202 1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona

Attn: Mr. John Bannister Executive Secretary

Well No. 36A

Section 3, T17N, R4E, Yavapai County

Dear Mr. Bannister:

Re:

This will confirm to you the survey location on Well No. 36A, Section 3, T17N, R4E, Yavapai County, Arizona. Enclosed is an official survey sheet of this location, made by James Howard & Associates, as of June 19, 1964.

This information is to be held <u>confidential</u> in your files, and is not for release to the public.

Please disregard at present the surveyed location numbers on the balance of the North half of this section.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD F. HARLESS Attorney at Law

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## Harless Claims Oil Found at Sedona

Claiming a Sadona cil discovery, Phoenix attorney Richard F. Harless yesterday asked Arisona corporation commissioners for an excitative permit to start a crude oil and gaz pipeline.

But, when several other oil and gas lease owners appeared in opposition, Reviews select son got from Commission E. T. Williams Jr. a continuance of his perset application to July torney for Southern Union Gas

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Bucking Williams at yester to get additional witnesses to counter the unserticipated opposition from P. Clark apparent the past yesterday.

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CLARK also asked why he was not invited to Harless' Seduca well se were Commission ors Williams and A. P. Bessed, who was absent from yesterday's proceedings.

Harless replied that Clark would have been invited slong with Buzard and Williams, who visited the well, had Clark been present when the invitation was extended. Harlets added that his proposal for a common-carrier pipeline open to all would belo rather than binder other lease owners in developing their prop-

But Earl Carroli, Phoenix st-

Co., declared that the Corpora-Asked if the Artsonn Oil and tion Commission created one the commission secretary, John need or financing. The line nev-Banuictor, said:

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reission would "creete a mon-sought in the name of the carster" by allowing Harton to Poration covers any oil or gas produced in a 55-mile radius of Cottonwood The Arizona Republic Phoenis, Wed., July 18, 1864

## 'Oil Strike' Figure Has Record

Harless, Phoenix attorney, who is president of Yavapai Oil Co. zona Republic, Harless mini-

He is Silas M. Newton, 77, is valid, it will have been the formerly of Denver, Phoenix and Los Angeles, who now makes his home at Sedona.

The reported wildcat strike was made in two of three wells drilled within a quarter-mile radius, according to Richard F. Harless. Phoenix attorney who was made in two or three wells first time oil has been discoving the was calmed anywhere in Arizona outswindler, and has claimed ered anywhere in Arizona outswindler, and has claimed who was made in two of three wells fice manager for the Bureau of Venus.

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Harless, who holds one-third mized the significance of his THE MAJOR stockholder in mainder belonging to Newton, the law. He described Newton an oil company which claims to said a showing of oil was dis-as an expert geologist who carbane etrack oil near Sedons is have struck oil near Sedona is covered in one of the producing ried degrees from Baylor and a convicted swindler who has wells last fall and the second Yale and attended Oxford Unibeen sued several times in questionable oil and mining stock month. If the Yavapai oil strike claim ence in the oil industry.

Denver district court jury. He oud, Colo.

placed on probation on the cos-County gold and silver mine. dition that he make restitution of \$82,186 to Flader. Although he reportedly never paid any Management oil and gas leases money to Flader, he was released from probation in 1959.

from flying saucers that had crashed in the United States.

Their corpses, he was quoted as saying, were the subject of documents filed with the by the government.

indicted Newton in 1969 on a name. uranium security sales fraud. sell \$125,000 worth of fraudulent is identical to an alias Newton's stock in two mines. He was acquitted Oct. 9, 1958.

The latest of several civil suits in which Newton figured also involved Harless. They were named codefendaties in a \$760,500 mining stock fraud guit in August 1963 by Thomas C.

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> Altogether, Harless and Newton hold U.S. Bureau of Land on about 17,700 acres in Prescott National Forest.

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Bein, the secretary and former former wife said she believed

She said this in 1961 in a suit Harless served as trustee of the filed in Desper district court

> In her suit, Mrs. Sharon E. Newton said her former mate was living "very well and spending \$12,800 a month and emotimes more."

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July 9, 1964

Mr. Richard F. Harless 1218 North Centrel Evenue Phoenix, Frizona 85004

He: Harless Federal No. 36A 660' S of N and 1980' L of W Lines Section 3 - T17N - R4B, Yavapai County, Arizona Our File No. 285

Dear Mr. Harless:

he are pleased to enclose approved Fermit to Drill captioned well, together with receipt for the filing fee.

Very truly yours,

John Bannister Executive Secretary

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July 8, 1964

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Mr. John Bannister Executive Secretary Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Room 202 1624 West Adams Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Harless Federal No. 36A Sec. 3 - T17N - R4E, Yavapai County Your File No. 285

Dear Mr. Bannister:

Herewith is a plat for the location of Harless Federal No. 36A well, which is to be 660 feet South of North and 1980 Feet East of West Lines of Section 3, Township 17 North, Range 4 East, Yavapai County.

Sincerely,

RICHARD F. HARLESS Attorney at Law

**Enclosure** 

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July 3, 1964

Mr. Richard F. Harless 1218 North Central Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 85004

Re: Richard F. Harless-Harless Federal No. 36A 660' S of N and 1980' E of W Lines Section 3 - T17N - R4E, Yavapai County Our File No. 285

Dear Mr. Harless:

The bond on captioned well has now been received; however before Permit to Drill can be issued, it will be necessary for you to submit plat of well location and the official designation of the acreage dedicated to this well.

Very truly yours,

John Bannister Executive Secretary

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J.B OK except for following 1. No plat 2. No designation of Vnit 80 acres

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RICHARD F. HARLESS
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ALPINE 2-114B

June 30, 1964

Oil and Gas Conservation Commission 1624 West Adams, Room 202 Phoenix, Arizona

Attn: Mr. John Bannister Executive Secretary

Re: Bond No. 22757-12-963-64

Dear Mr. Bannister:

Enclosed please find United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company Bond No. 22747-12-963-64 issued June 25, 1964, and covering Section 3, T17N, R4E, G&SRB&M, Yavapai County, Arizona, held under Lease No. AR-023674.

Please file this in our behalf.

Sincerely,

RICHARD F. HARLESS Attorney at Law

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